

PARK RECOMMENDATIONS SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS



Thank you for your participation and feedback for the Belmont PROS Plan.

Provide your feedback on revised park-specific DRAFT recommendations for the Belmont PROS Plan. Comments are always accepted via email to Info@BelmontPROSplan.com.

The DRAFT Recommendations were introduced at the PROS Advisory Committee virtual meeting on September 30, 2021 and revised per public input in early 2022. The recorded September meeting is available on the project website.

INTRODUCTION



PARKS | RECREATION | OPEN SPACE MASTER PLAN

BELMONT, CALIFORNIA

PROS PLAN PURPOSE

Set the framework for decision makers in the planning, maintenance, development, and or rehabilitation of Belmont's Parks, Recreation, and Open Space system and programming for a 15 year horizon.

This DRAFT Recommendations document includes:

- Introduction: Overview of PROS Plan Purpose, Goals + Guiding Principles, and Park Sites.
- Efforts to Date: Progress summary and community engagement efforts to date.
- Amenities: Amenity comparisons to neighboring communities and identified quantity of amenities to add to the park system to meet current and future demand.
- Park Typologies: Park categorization and standard baseline amenities.
- Recommendations: Individual DRAFT Recommendations for all parks.

HOW TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK

Public input and comment can always be sent to lnfo@BelmontPROSplan.com.

GOALS + GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Provide equitable access to resources and activities across the entire city
- Promote inclusion to people of all backgrounds, regardless of race, gender, sexual orientation, socioeconomic position, or physical/cognitive ability
- Make all users feel welcome and safe
- Offer services and activities across a range of interests, abilities, and ages
- Reflect our commitment to environmental resilience and sustainability
- Respect the beauty and importance of our *natural resources*
- Advance community nealth and well-being
- Foster a sense of community and encourage social interaction
- Provide well maintained and actively managed facilities
- Adapt to changing conditions and needs
- Utilize transparent community process to inform decisions

BELMONT PARKS AND OPEN SPACE



PARKS

- Alexander Park
- 2 Barrett Community Center
- 3 Belameda Park
- 4 Belmont Sports Complex
- 6 Cipriani Park
- College View Park
- 8 Davey Glen Park
- 10 Hallmark Park
- Hasting Tot Lot Park

- 12 Hidden Canyon Park
- 13 McDougal Park
- O'Donnell Park
- 16 Patricia Wharton Park
- 18 Ralston Ranch Park
- 20 Semeria Park
- 21 Twin Pines Park
- 22 Wakefield Park

JOINT-USE SCHOOLS

- Central Elementary School
- 9 Fox Elementary School
- 14 Nesbit School
- Ralston Middle School

OPEN SPACE

Open Space not included in these park-specific recommendations

- 19 San Juan Canyon
- 23 Waterdog Lake

AMENITIES

To understand how the Parks, Recreation, and Open Space system is serving Belmont residents, all amenities were inventoried. By knowing what exists, and utilizing community feedback, staff input, and comparisons to other parks and recreation systems, the PROS Plan can create recommendations for future amenity quantities and improvements in the parks, recreation, and open space system.

Amenities were categorized as either a Benchmarked Amenity, a Priority Amenity, or a Secondary Amenity. Benchmarked Amenities were selected as typical parks and recreation amenities that could be compared to comparison cities, to evaluate Belmont's level of service and identify needs and gaps. Priority Amenities are those identified as important from community input. Secondary Amenities either exist or have been identified though community input or staff input, but were not identified as important as Priority Amenities.

BENCHMARKED AMENITIES

Neighboring comparison cities were evaluated for their service levels for the Benchmarked Amenities. Burlingame, San Carlos and Saratoga were identified as cities with similar demographics to Belmont. In addition, the same amenities were compared to California and National standards.

These benchmarks help guide the DRAFT recommendations by identifying the nuanced Belmont amenity standards. Through an understanding of existing level of service, community-desired amenities, and staff input on amenity usage and requests over time, unique Belmont amenity standards were created to inform these park-specific DRAFT recommendations.

ADDITIONAL AMENITIES

All amenities identified were given a ratio of population a single amenity must serve, much like the benchmarked amenities graphic. The quantity of an amenity required to meet the needs and desires of Belmont were extrapolated for the current 2021 population and the forecasted 2035 population (from the 2035 General Plan).

The table to the right (Ideal Amenity Quantities) identifies the gaps in amenity quantities from the currently provided amenities compared to the 2021 and projected 2035 populations.

The park-specific DRAFT recommendations propose these amenities at current parks. Overall, from the public input received to date - an increase in shade, seating, and maintaining the natural environment - is desired across the entire park system, and is reflected in the park-specific DRAFT recommendations.

BENCHMARKED AMENITIES PER 1,000 RESIDENTS (2021) 0.0 0.50 1.0 **AMENITY** AMENITY AMENITY **Amenity:** Basketball Court * Multi-use Athletic Field * Playground * Reservable Picnic Area Tennis Court 7 **BELMONT** Burlingame **San Carlos** Saratoga California **National**

Population Range

^{*} includes amenities at Belmont's Schools (JUA) sites

IDEAL AMENITY QUANTITIESFOR 2021 AND 2035 POPULATIONS

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BENCHMARKED AMENITY	EXISTS	2021 ADD	2035 ADD
All-Abilities Playground	0	+ 1	0
Basketball Court (Full)	13	0	+ 2
Basketball Court (Half)	6	0	+ 1
Multi-Use Athletic Field	12	+ 1	+ 2
Play Element	0	+ 3	0
Playground	20	0	+ 2
Reservable Picnic Area, Small	2	+ 2	+ 1
Reservable Picnic Area, Large	2	÷ 1	0
Tennis Court	4	+ 2	+ 1
PRIORITY AMENITY			
Community Garden	2	№ 1	0
Dog Park	1	+ 1	0
Dog Parklet	0	+2	0
Pump Track (Bike Park)	0	+ 1	0
Skate Park	0	+ 1	0
Water Play, Pool	0	√ 1	0
Water Play, Spray Element	0	+ 1	0
Water Play, Spray Park	0	+ 1	0
SECONDARY AMENITY			
Fitness Equipment Cluster	1	+ 1	0
Handball Court / Wall Ball	5	0	+ 1
Horseshoe Pit / Bocce Ball Court	5	0	+ 1
Outdoor Classroom	0	+ 1	0
Performance Space	2	0	0
Teen Outdoor Space	1	+ 2	0
Volleyball Court	0	+ 1	0

EXISTS: The current quantity of an amenity provided at a Belmont Park and/or Joint-Use School.

2021 ADD: The quantity of an amenity to add to meet ideal service levels for Belmont's 2021 population.

2035 ADD: The quantity of an amenity to add to meet ideal service levels for the forecasted 2035 population.

PARK TYPOLOGIES

Every park in Belmont is categorized as a Park Type. Each typology has minimum standards, called Standard Baseline Amenities, that the park in the typology must provide.

NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TIER 1

- Interacting with nature or gathering
- Local neighborhood
- · Mainly accessed by foot or by bike
- Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Radii: 1/4 mile radius

Standard Baseline Amenities:

- 1. Natural Environment
- 2. Seating
- 3. Identifiable Amenity

NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TIER 2

- Interacting with nature, gathering, and recreation
- Local and nearby neighborhoods
- · Accessed by foot, bike, and car
- Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Radii: 1/2 mile radius

Standard Baseline Amenities:

- 1. Natural Environment
- 2. Seating
- 3. Play Amenity
- 4. Picnic Opportunity
- 5. Multi-Purpose Fiexible Space
- 6. Recreation Amenity

COMMUNITY PARK

- Generate the most visitors
- High use intensities
- · Accessed by foot, bike, or car
- Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Radii: Entire City

Community Parks have high use intensities and generate the most visitors because they provide the most recreation amenities.

Standard Baseline Amenities:

- 1. Natural Environment
- 2. Seating
- 3. Play Amenity
- 4. Picnic Opportunity
- 5. Multi-Purpose Flexible Space
- 6. Recreation Amenity
- 7. Off-Street Parking
- 8. Permanent Restroom
- 9. Multi-use Athletic Field or Community Facility

RECOMMENDATIONS

RECOMMENDATIONS SPECTRUM

The park-specific DRAFT recommendations vary in intensity for each park. The spectrum ranges from implementing an existing master plan, to park redesign or development of an undeveloped park, to minor improvements. Each park has been categorized based on the magnitude of the recommendations.

EXISTING MASTER PLAN

Two parks in Belmont have Master Plans: Twin Pines Park Master Plan (2019) and Barrett Community Center Conceptual Design Plan (2020). The site plans from each master plan are included as reference in this document. Implementing the exiting master plans has been adopted as a park recommendation.

MINOR IMPROVEMENTS

Belmont has great parks. Some parks require very few recommendations to meet their park typology's standard baseline amenities, already provide amenities identified through community input, and are well-maintained and in good condition. These sites are therefore considered parks with minor improvements.

UPGRADED OR NEW AMENITY

These parks are functioning well, but have the ability to meet more community needs with upgraded or new amenities. In some instances, the amenities are nearing the end of their usable life and identified for replacement, in which case, they have been identified for an upgraded replacement. Alternatively, amenities identified through the planning process have been allocated to these parks to meet community need.

SITE	TYPOLOGY	RECOMMENDATION MAGNITUDE	
Alexander Park	Neighborhood Tier 2	Upgraded or New Amenity	
Barrett Community Center	Community	Existing Master Plan	
Belameda Park	Community	Upgraded or New Amenity	
Belmont Sports Complex	Community	Upgraded or New Amenity	
Central Elementary School	School (JUA)	School (JUA)	
Cipriani Park	Neighborhood Tier 2	Park Redesign	
College View Park	Neighborhood Tier 1	Minor Improvements	
Davey Glen Park	Neighborhood Tier 2	Minor Improvements	
Fox Elementary School	School (JUA)	Schoci (JUA)	
Hallmark Park	Neighborhood Tier 2	Park Redesign	
Hasting Tot Lot Park	Neighborhood Tier 1	Park Redesign	
Hidden Canyon Park	Neighborhood Tier 2	Undeveloped Park	
McDougal Park	Community	Upgraded or New Amenity	
Nesbit School	School (JUA)	School (JUA)	
O'Donnell Park	Neighborhood Tier 2	Upgraded or New Amenity	
Patricia Wharton Park	Neighborhood Tier 1	Minor Improvements	
Ralston Middle School	School (JUA)	School (JUA)	
Ralston Ranch Park	Neighborhood Tier 2	Undeveloped Park	
Semeria Park	Neighborhood Tier 2	Minor Improvements	
Twin Pines Park	Community	Existing Master Plan	
Wakefield Park	Neighborhood Tier 1	Minor Improvements	

PARK REDESIGN

Three parks are providing amenities and supporting uses, but are considered poorly accessible or underutilizing their acreage. These sites have been identified for a park redesign including creation of master plans for accessibility-related redesigns.

UNDEVELOPED PARK

Two park sites are considered undeveloped by the Parks and Recreation Department. These sites are recommended to transform into Neighborhood Parks Tier 2 from their undeveloped existing condition.

SCHOOL (JUA)

The City has joint-use agreements with the local school districts, which allows limited public access to the field area outside of school hours while providing landscape maintenance. Since the City does not own this land, all recommendations for these sites would require consensus, agreement, and cost-sharing with BRSSD to implement.

RECOMMENDATION SYMBOLS

The following pages identify DRAFT recommendations for each existing park site and for potential opportunity sites for future park and recreation amenities. There is a legend underneath the Recommendations Map to illustrate how to read the recommendation symbols.

STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

All sites are measured against the baseline standard amenities for their assigned park typology. For most park sites, the park typology standard baseline amenities are already existing. For some sites, the park is currently lacking one or more standard baseline amenities for the typology, some parks have been assigned a new typology, and some parks are undeveloped and therefore lack many standard baseline amenities required for any park type. For each of these situations, the park typology and associated standard baseline amenities of the type are identified on the recommendations map.

STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TIER 1







NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TIER 2







COMMUNITY PARK







HOW TO READ THE PARK-SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS



RECOMMENDATIONS UPGRADED OR NEW AMENITY **NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TIER 2** STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES Q Natural Environment

- Seating
- Play Amenity

ACCESSIBILITY

- Continue looped walking path around lawn
- Provide ADA accessible path to existing and new amenities

- Picnic Opportunity
- Multi-purpose Flexible Space
- Recreation Amenity

AMENITY

- Resurface and restripe Tennis Courts to include Pickleball
- Repair/Replace BBQs
- 5 Add Bocce Ball Court
- Replace an existing playground with an All-Abilities Flayground
- Increase seating opportunities

LANDSCAPE

- Monitor Oak tree
- Enhance existing plantings

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Maintain high-quality landscape condition across the site
 - Expand tree canopy and shade with tree plantings

Recommendation Magnitude

Park Typology Standard Baseline Amenities: Existing and to Add

CHARACTER IMAGES



1. Looped Walking Path(s)



5. Bocce Ball + Horseshoes



2. ADA Accessibility to All Amenities



6. All-Abiliites Playground



3. Tennis + Pickleball Courts



Trees for Shade

DRAFT Recommendations to Add to the Park: Accessibility, Amenity, or Landscape

(Solid circles apply to the entire site)

Character Images for inspiration of Park-specific DRAFT Recommendations elements

ALEXANDER PARK

NEIGHBORHOOD-SERVING RECREATION OASIS



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



RECOMMENDATIONS UPGRADED OR NEW AMENITY

NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TIER 2 STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

Natural Environment

Picnic Opportunity

Seating

Multi-purpose Flexible Space

Play Amenity

Recreation Amenity

Continue looped walking Resurface and restripe Tennis path around lawn

AMENITY

- Courts to include Pickleball (scheduled Spring 2022)
 - Repair/Replace BBQs
 - Replace an existing playground with an All-Abilities Playground
 - Increase seating opportunities

Add Bocce Ball Court

LANDSCAPE

- 8 Monitor Oak tree
- Enhance existing plantings with native and droughttolerant species
- Maintain high-quality landscape condition across the site
 - Expand tree canopy and shade with tree plantings (maintain central lawn without obstruction)

ACCESSIBILITY

Provide ADA accessible path to existing and new amenities Increase visibility and celebrate the park by

enhancing the entrance at the street and upgrade the experience by incorporating art, such as murais, along the entrance access



Looped Walking Path(s)



Tennis + Pickleball Courts



ADA Accessibility to All Amenities



Bocce Ball + Horseshoes



Celebrating the Park Entrance



All-Abilities Playground

BARRETT COMMUNITY CENTER

COMMUNITY-SUPPORTING GATHERING PLACE



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



INTERIM RECOMMENDATIONS EXISTING MASTER PLAN

COMMUNITY PARK STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

Natural Environment

b Seating

Play Amenity

d Picnic Opportunity

Multi-purpose Flexible Space

Recreation Amenity

Off-Street Parking

h Permanent Restroom

Athletic Field or Community Facility

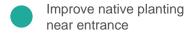
ACCESSIBILITY

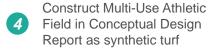
AMENITY

Implement the recommendations from the Barrett Community Center Conceptual Design Report (2020)

- Dog Parklet
 - Pool (Water Play)
 - Spray Park (Water Play)
- 2 Add seating opportunities
- Remove fitness equipment on-site to re-use at alternative park location

LANDSCAPE





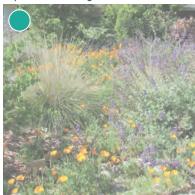


Belmont Community Center Conceptual Design Report





Implement Existing Master Plan



Native Planting Areas



Seating



Synthetic Multi-use Athletic Field

BARRETT COMMUNITY CENTER

COMMUNITY-SUPPORTING GATHERING PLACE

CONCEPTUAL DESIGN REPORT (2020)



Site Concept Plan

Source: Belmont Community Center Conceptual Design Report (2020)

RECOMMENDATIONS TO IMPLEMENT EXISTING MASTER PLAN

ACCESSIBILITY

1

Restructure parking size and configuration

AMENITY

2 Add Dog Parklet



LANDSCAPE

O Plant trees to increase shade

- 3 Add Pool (Water Play)
- 4 Add Spray Park (Water Play)
- Relocate and upgrade Playground
- 6 Construct new Community Center
- Consider synthetic turf for Multi-use Athletic Field
- Relocate multi-use sports court
- Add picnic area



Dog Parklet



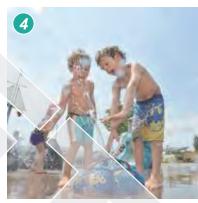
Community Center



Pool



Synthetic Multi-Use Athletic Field



Spray Fark



Trees for Shade

BELAMEDA PARK

ALL-AGES LEARNING AND EXPLORING SPACE



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



RECOMMENDATIONS UPGRADED OR NEW AMENITY

COMMUNITY PARK STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES



Picnic Opportunity

Off-Street Parking

(b) Seating

Multi-purpose Flexible Space

(h) Permanent Restroom

Play Amenity

Recreation Amenity
(Add fitness equipment course)

Athletic Field or Community Facility

ACCESSIBILITY

1 Create walking loop extension

Increase entrance and connection opportunities to create better park access

Add wift access to site

AMENITY

Create a Teen Outdoor Space to complement offerings at the Belmont Library

Continue path to create walking and learn-to-bike loop in land west of parking lot

Increase seating opportunities

LANDSCAPE

Add native planting near entrance

Refresh planting around playground
Maintain high-quality

Maintain high-quality landscape condition across the site



Recreation Amenity



Learn-to-Ride Loop



Multi-Use Path



Native Planting Areas



Teen Outdoor Space

BELMONT SPORTS COMPLEX

ATHLETIC HUB FOR THE ENTIRE CITY



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



RECOMMENDATIONS UPGRADED OR NEW AMENITY

COMMUNITY PARK STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

- Natural Environment
- **(b)** Seating
- C Play Amenity

- d Picnic Opportunity
- Multi-purpose Flexible Space
 - Recreation Amenity
- Off-Street Parking
- h Permanent Restroom
- Athletic Field or Community Facility

ACCESSIBILITY

1 Add bike repair station

AMENITY

- Create an accessible
 Social Gathering Space to promote social interactions
- Redevelop underutilized space with a Pump Track (Bike Park)
- Add a Fitness Equipment
 Course around
 North Field path
- 5 Relocate picnic tables

LANDSCAPE

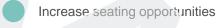
- 6 Add native planting areas
- Consider transitioning
 South Field and Marina
 Field to synthetic turf
- Add interpretive signage about marsh and bay ecology



Bike Repair Station



Fitness Equipment





Social Gathering Space



Native Planting Areas



Pump Track



Synthetic Multi-use Athletic Field

CIPRIANI PARK

THE SOCIALIZE SPOT WITH DOGS



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



RECOMMENDATIONS PARK REDESIGN

NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TIER 2 STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

- Natural Environment
- **(b)** Seating
- Play Amenity

- Picnic Opportunity
- Multi-purpose Flexible Space
- Recreation Amenity

ACCESSIBILITY

- Whole park redesign for better accessibility and space utilization with a Park Master Plan
- Formalize dog park entrance from school's parking lot
- Create ADA accessible path to all existing and new amenities
- Rebuild entrance stairs and pathway from Buena Vista Ave

AMENITY

- Establish a Reservable Picnic Area, Small
- Upgrade playground structure
- Redesign dog park area to better address community needs and surfacing best suited to use
- Increase seating opportunities
- Consider additional amenities in partnership with adjacent school

LANDSCAPE

- Add trees around perimeter of fenced dog park area for shade
- 8 Evaluate multi-use flexible lawn for turf improvements



ADA Accessibility to All Amenities



Redesign dog park



Reservable Picnic Area



Seating



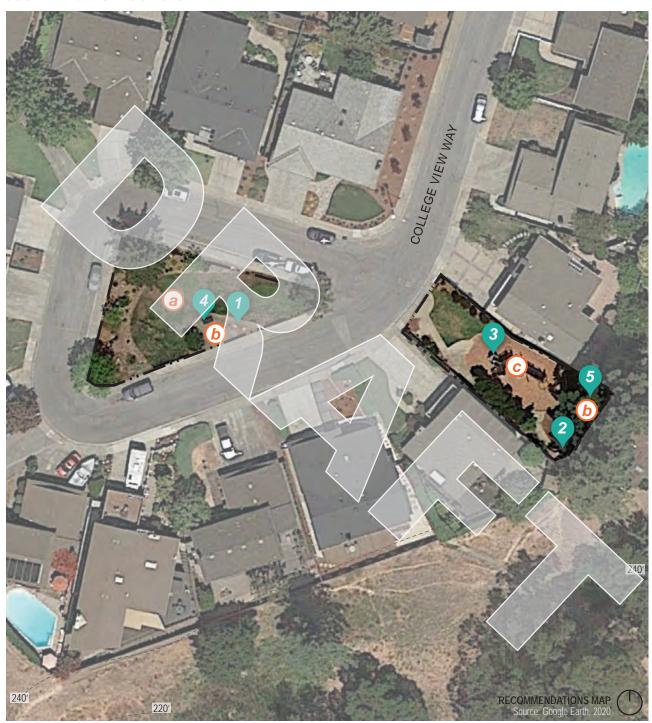
Playground



Add Trees for Shade

COLLEGE VIEW PARK

SOCIAL NEIGHBORHOOD SPOT



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



RECOMMENDATIONS MINOR IMPROVEMENTS

NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TIER 1 STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

Natural Environment

Seating

Identifiable Amenity

ACCESSIBILITY

Assess paved surface for access and repair/ replace as needed Consider creating an interconnected pedestrian

and bicycle priority route between College View Park, Semeria Park, and Patricia Wharton Park

Explore opportunities to connect to NDNU Campus

AMENITY

Continue to refill wood chips in Playground area periodically

Replace benches

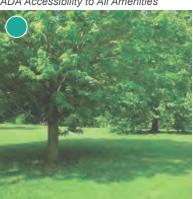
LANDSCAPE

Add planted area near picnic area

Plant trees to increase shade



ADA Accessibility to All Amenities



Trees for Shade



Seating



Native Planting Areas

DAVEY GLEN PARK

TUCKED-AWAY ENVIRONMENTAL GEM



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



RECOMMENDATIONS MINOR IMPROVEMENTS

NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TIER 2 STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

Natural Environment

Picnic Opportunity Multi-purpose Flexible Space

Seating

Recreation Amenity (Add signage for walking loop)

Play Amenity

AMENITY

LANDSCAPE No recommendations Continue to maintain beyond Baseline Amenities the high-quality planting across the site

ACCESSIBILITY

No recommendations



Recreation Amenity

HALLMARK PARK

ACTIVE NATURAL TERRAIN



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



RECOMMENDATIONS PARK REDESIGN

NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TIER 2 STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

Natural Environment

b Seating

Play Amenity

ACCESSIBILITY

Whole park redesign for better accessibility and space utilization with a Park Master Plan

1 Evaluate paths' accessibility and reconstruct as needed

d Picnic Opportunity

Multi-purpose Flexible Space (Create seating in shaded area)

Recreation Amenity

AMENITY

Resurface and restripe Tennis Courts to include Pickleball

Update, expand, and consider relocating piayground structure

Increase seating opportunities

LANDSCAPE

Plant trees to replace declining existing trees across the site (succession planting)

Plant trees to increase shade

Consider adding native planting areas



Multi-Purpose Flexible Space



Playground



ADA Accessibility to All Amenities



Tennis + Pickleball Courts

HASTINGS TOT LOT PARK

CHILD-ORIENTED PLAY ZONE



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



RECOMMENDATIONS PARK REDESIGN

NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TIER 1 STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

Natural Environment

b Seating

c Identifiable Amenity

ACCESSIBILITY

Whole park redesign for better accessibility and space utilization with a Park Master Plan

Add crosswalk for connectivity to park and adjacent trailhead

AMENITY

Replenish playground fibar

Replace and consider reorienting benches for eyes on the playground and sunset view

Replace wood stake fence

Create safety barrier between playground and adjacent Hasting Drive

6 Update play structure

LANDSCAPE

Create native planting area around playground

Add interpretive signage to educate about native plants and open space



Seating



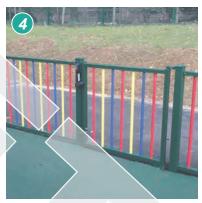
Playground



Replace retaining fence



Native Planting Areas



Safety Barrier

HIDDEN CANYON PARK

THE GATEWAY TO OPEN SPACE



ICON LEGEND

For illustration purposes only. This graphic is conceptual in nature, and any park design decisions will require additional public review.



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



RECOMMENDATIONS UNDEVELOPED PARK

NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TIER 2 STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

- Natural Environment
- **b** Seating (Add Seating Opportunities)
- Play Amenity
 (Add Nature Play Element)

ACCESSIBILITY

- 1 Add ADA parking stall
- Increase quantity of parking stalls to accommodate volume of visitors

- Picnic Opportunity
 (Add small picnic area)

 Multi-purpose Flexible Space
- (Add an Outdoor Classroom)
- (f) Recreation Amenity

AMENITY

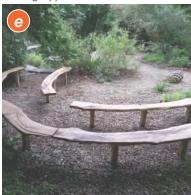
- 4 Add restroom
- Add Open Space Gateway Element
- Add seating opportunities

LANDSCAPE

- Maintain native plantings
- Remove non-native plants
- Add shade (trees or shade structure) to seating areas



Seating Opportunities



Outdoor Classroom



Nature Play Element



Restroom



Picnic Area



Open Space Gateway

MCDOUGAL PARK

TEAM SPORTS ATHLETIC VENUE



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



RECOMMENDATIONS UPGRADED OR NEW AMENITY

COMMUNITY PARK STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

- Natural Environment
- **(b)** Seating
- Play Amenity
 (Add Play Element)
- d Picnic Opportunity
- e Multi-purpose Flexible Space
- Recreation Amenity
- Off-Street Parking
 (adjacent School, Limited Hours)
- h Permanent Restroom (Add permanent restroom)
- Athletic Field or Community Facility

ACCESSIBILITY

- Create ADA accessible path to all existing and new amenities
- Explore adding stair, ramp preferred, access closer to Solana Dr

AMENITY

- Add an accessible
 Gathering Space to
 promote social interaction
- Replace storage containers
- 4 Replace picnic tables
- Replace benches
- Increase seating opportunities

LANDSCAPE

- Evaluate condition of trees on hillside and remove or treat as needed
- Consider transitioning
 Multi-use Athletic Fields
 to synthetic turf
- Plant trees to increase shade



Play Amenity



Picnic Tables



Permanent Restroom



Seating



ADA Accessibility to Ali Amenities



Synthetic Multi-use Athletic Field

O'DONNELL PARK

MULTI-USE NEIGHBORHOOD SPACE



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



RECOMMENDATIONS UPGRADED OR NEW AMENITY

NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TIER 2 STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

Natural Environment

b Seating

Play Amenity

d Picnic Opportunity

e Multi-purpose Flexible Space

Recreation Amenity

ACCESSIBILITY

No recommendations

AMENITY

Establish as a Reservable Picnic Area, Small

Replace BBQs

Refurbish the existing half basketball courts

Add shade, tables, and outdoor games

LANDSCAPE

R

Refresh planting areas with native plants

Maintain high-quality landscape condition across the site



Reservable Picnic Area



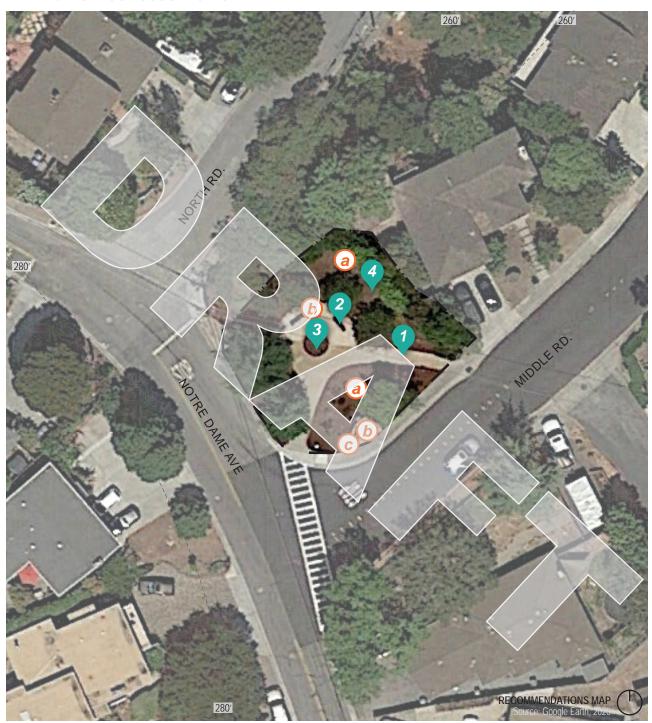
Shade, tables, and outdoor games



Native Planting Areas

PATRICIA WHARTON PARK

THE NEIGHBORHOOD'S SOCIAL SPACE



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



RECOMMENDATIONS MINOR IMPROVEMENTS

NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TIER 1 STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

Natural Environment

Seating

Identifiable Amenity

ACCESSIBILITY

Evaluate path's accessibility and reconstruct as needed Consider creating an interconnected pedestrian and bicycle priority route between Patricia Wharton

> Park, Semeria Park, and College View Park

AMENITY

2 Replace seating

Add boulders or stumps as seating or play elements in center planter area

LANDSCAPE

Add native planting to hillside

Maintain high-quality landscape condition across the site



ADA Accessibility to All Amenities



Native Planting Areas



Seating



Boulder as seating

RALSTON RANCH PARK

A NATURAL SPACE TO RELAX



ICON LEGEND

For illustration purposes only. This graphic is conceptual in nature, and any park design decisions will require additional public review.



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



RECOMMENDATIONS UNDEVELOPED PARK

NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TIER 2 STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

- Natural Environment
- Seating (Add benches)
- Play Amenity
 (Add Natural Play Element)
- Picnic Opportunity
 (Add individual Picnic Table)
- Multi-purpose Flexible Space (Add Seating Space)
- Recreation Amenity
 (Add Walking Path)

ACCESSIBILITY

1 Encourage creation of sidewalks along and connecting to park

AMENITY

No recommendations beyond Baseline Amenities

LANDSCAPE

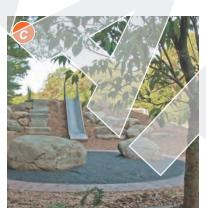
- Monitor trees and replace as necessary
- Add native planting areas
- Utilize trees as screening from Ralston Avenue and as wind protection



Seating



Seating Space



Natural Play Element



Walking Path(s)



Picnic Opportunity



Native Planting Areas

SEMERIA PARK

THE LOCALS' PLAYGROUND



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



RECOMMENDATIONS MINOR IMPROVEMENTS

NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TIER 2 STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

Natural Environment

Seating

Play Amenity

ACCESSIBILITY

Consider creating an interconnected pedestrian and bicycle priority route between Semeria Park, Patricia Wharton Park, and College View Park



Multi-purpose Flexible Space

Recreation Amenity (Add fitness signage)

AMENITY

Garbage receptacle access from sidewalk

LANDSCAPE

Maintain high-quality landscape condition across the site



Recreation Amenity

TWIN PINES PARK

THE HEART OF BELMONT



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



INTERIM RECOMMENDATIONS EXISTING MASTER PLAN

COMMUNITY PARK STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

Natural Environment

(b) Seating

Play Amenity

d Picnic Opportunity

Multi-purpose Flexible Space

Recreation Amenity

Off-Street Parking

h Permanent Restroom

Athletic Field or Community Facility

ACCESSIBILITY

Evaluate path's accessibility and reconstruct as needed

2 Pave path to restroom

AMENITY

Implement Twin Pines
Park Master Plan (2019)

Evaluate and repair picnic tables in poor condition

4 Replace BBQs

Replace drinking fountain

LANDSCAPE

Maintain high-quality landscape condition across the site



ADA Accessibility to All Amenities



BBQs



Implement Twin Pines Master Plan



Picnic Tables

TWIN PINES PARK

THE HEART OF BELMONT

MASTER PLAN (2019)



RECOMMENDATIONS TO IMPLEMENT EXISTING MASTER PLAN

ACCESSIBILITY

- Restructure arrival zone to strength visual and physical connections
- Prioritize pedestrian experience in Town Square area
- 3 Develop trail connections beyond park boundaries
- 4 Add looped walking path(s)

AMENITY

- Renovate and expand Playground structure
- 6 Add Water Play Element
- 7 Renovate Picnic Area
- 8 Add Bocce Ball Court
- 9 Add Teen Outdoor Space
- 10 Add Multi-use Lawn

LANDSCAPE

Establish and improve visual and access connections to Belmont Creek



Looped Walking Path(s)



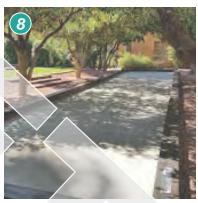
Teen Outdoor Space



Water Play Element



Multi-Use Lawn



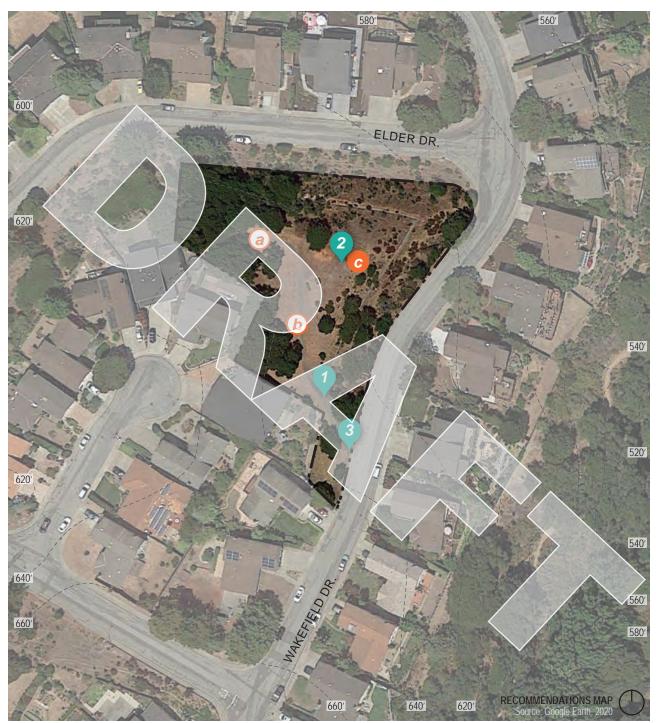
Bocce Ball Court



Creek Access

WAKEFIELD PARK

THE PARK WITH THE VIEW



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



RECOMMENDATIONS MINOR IMPROVEMENTS

NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TIER 1 STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

Natural Environment

Seating

Identifiable Amenity (Create overlook opportunity)

ACCESSIBILITY

Improve existing walking path(s)

AMENITY

Add benches

Add entrance signage to increase park visibility

LANDSCAPE

Plant trees to increase shade

Add native planting areas

Public Art opportunity



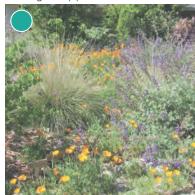
Identifiable Amenity



Trees for Shade



Walking Path(s)



Native Planting Areas



Seating

CENTRAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

JOINT USE AGREEMENT (JUA)



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



Central Elementary School is part of the Belmont-Redwood Shores School District. The City of Belmont has a joint-use agreement, which allows limited public access to the field and lawn area outside of school hours while providing landscape maintenance. Since the City does not own this land, all recommendations for this site would require consensus agreement and a cost-sharing with BRSSD to implement.

ACCESSIBILITY



Create looped walking path around lawn

AMENITY



Rejuvenate outdoor classroom space

LANDSCAPE



Convert Multi-use Athletic Field to synthetic field to increase annual usable time



Walking Path



Outdoor Classroom



Synthetic Multi-use Athletic Field

FOX SCHOOL

JOINT USE AGREEMENT (JUA)



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



Fox Elementary School is part of the Belmont-Redwood Shores School District. The City of Belmont has a jointuse agreement, which allows limited public access to the field and lawn area outside of school hours while providing landscape maintenance. Since the City does not own this land, all recommendations for this site would require consensus agreement and a costsharing with BRSSD to implement.

ACCESSIBILITY

AMENITY

LANDSCAPE



Convert Multi-use Athletic Field to synthetic field to increase annual usable time



Synthetic Multi-use Athletic Field

NESBIT SCHOOL

JOINT USE AGREEMENT (JUA)



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



Nesbit School is part of the Belmont-Redwood Shores School District. The City of Belmont has a joint-use agreement, which allows limited public access to the field and lawn area outside of school hours while providing landscape maintenance. Since the City does not own this land, all recommendations for this site would require consensus agreement and a costsharing with BRSSD to implement.

ACCESSIBILITY

AMENITY

LANDSCAPE



Convert Multi-use Athletic Field to synthetic field to increase annual usable time



Synthetic Multi-use Athletic Field

RALSTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

JOINT USE AGREEMENT (JUA)



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



Ralston Middle School is part of the Belmont-Redwood Shores School District. The City of Belmont has a jointuse agreement, which allows limited public access to the field and lawn area outside of school hours while providing landscape maintenance. Since the City does not own this land, all recommendations for this site would require consensus agreement and a costsharing with BRSSD to implement.

ACCESSIBILITY

Update exterior path at property line to better connect to ropes course south of the school if ropes course activated

AMENITY

LANDSCAPE



Convert Multi-use Athletic Field to synthetic field to increase annual usable time



Walking Path



Synthetic Multi-use Athletic Field



Davey Glen Park



O'Donnell Park



Twin Pines Park



Wakefield Park



Belameda Park



Belmont Sports Complex

NEW PARK OPPORTUNITIES

As an almost completely built-out City, there are limited opportunities for new park sites in Belmont. As a priority, opportunity sites are located in areas with low proximity to an existing park in order to increase the quantity of residents within a 10-minute walk of a park.

The PROS Plan identifies three potential sites for new parks in Belmont. All sites are on land currently owned by a public entity.

The proposed park opportunity sites should be seriously considered as opportunities to provide additional park acreage to Belmont residents.

RALSTON AVENUE & OLD COUNTY ROAD

There is an opportunity for an urban park/plaza at the intersection of Ralston Avenue and Old County Road. This site is identified as a park in the Belmont Village Specific Plan. The site straddles Ralston Ave and is between the Caltrain tracks and Old County Rd.

OAK KNOLL DRIVE

Oak Knoll Drive is a residential street that terminates in a cul-de-sac with trees and planting in a dirt area at the center. This site came to the attention of the PROS Plan from input from adjacent residents.

ALAMEDA DE LAS PULGAS

Alameda de las Pulgas is a arterial street that traverses Belmont from north to south. At the northern edge of the city, at the intersection with Forest Avenue, there are two areas, one on either edge of the right-of-way, with potential as an opportunity for development into park space.

JOINT-USE SCHOOLS

Additionally, there are opportunities to provide increased public access to amenities by pursuing Joint-Use Agreements with public and private schools and institutions within Belmont.



RALSTON AVE + OLD COUNTY ROAD

LOCUS OF URBAN LIFE

OPPORTUNITY SITE



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



RECOMMENDATIONS NEW PARK OPPORTUNITY

NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TIER 1 STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

- Natural Environment (Add gateway planting)
- Seating (Add benches)
- c Identifiable Amenity (Add Skate Park)

ACCESSIBILITY

Create ADA accessible path to all existing and new amenities

AMENITY

- 1 Add Dog Parklet
- Add placemaking space to host community gathering, event space, pop-up business space, etc.
- Instalì Public Art piece

LANDSCAPE

No recommendations beyond Baseline Amenities



Natural Environment



Dog Parklet



Seating



Placemaking



Identifiable Amenity

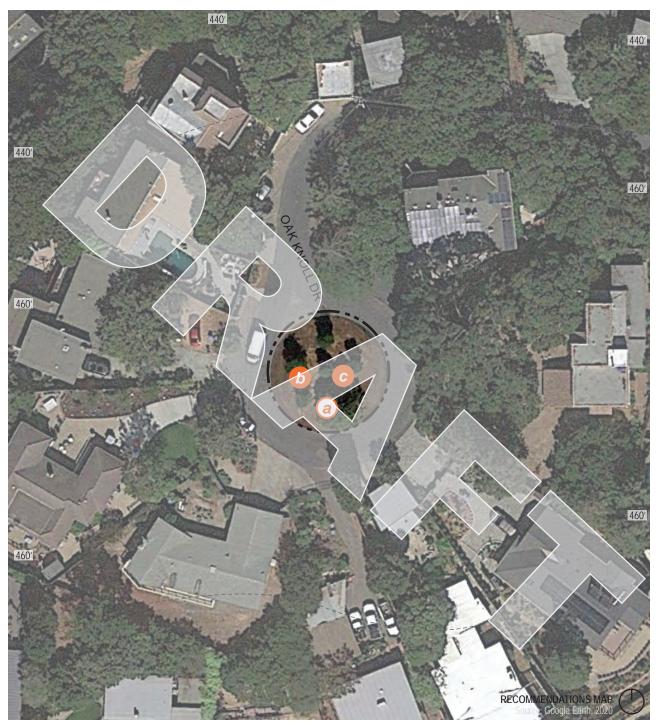


Public Art

OAK KNOLL DRIVE

PURPOSEFUL PLAY SPACE

OPPORTUNITY SITE



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



RECOMMENDATIONS NEW PARK OPPORTUNITY

NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TIER 1 STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

Natural Environment

Seating (Add benches)

Identifiable Amenity (Add Play Element)

ACCESSIBILITY

Encourage creation of a "safety circle" at the terminus of Oak Knoll Drive to highlight park use in center

AMENITY

No recommendations beyond Baseline Amenities

LANDSCAPE

Add native planting areas



Seating



"Safety Circle" Signage



Identifiable Element



Native Planting Areas

ALAMEDA DE LAS PULGAS

RE-PURPOSE FOR PLAY

OPPORTUNITY SITE



ICON LEGEND



Existing Standard Baseline Amenity



Recommendation: Add Standard Baseline Amenity



RECOMMENDATIONS NEW PARK OPPORTUNITY

NEIGHBORHOOD PARK TIER 1 STANDARD BASELINE AMENITIES

Natural Environment

Seating (Add benches)

Identifiable Amenity (Add Nature Play Element)

ACCESSIBILITY

Add looped walking path(s)

Encourage creation of sidewalks along and connecting to park

AMENITY

3 Add bike repair station

Add fence or protective barrier between play element and road

LANDSCAPE

Add native planting areas



Seating



Native Planting Areas



Nature Play Element



Looped Walking Path(s)





PROXIMITY + CONNECTIVITY

PARK PROXIMITY

The City of Belmont provides a park within a 10-minute walk of 90% of residents. Belmont well exceeds the national average is 55% of residents within a 10-minute walk of a park.

90% of Belmont residents live within a 10-MINUTE WALK of a Park

The Park Proximity Diagram below shows the park access radii for all Parks, joint-use Schools, and Open Space Trailheads.

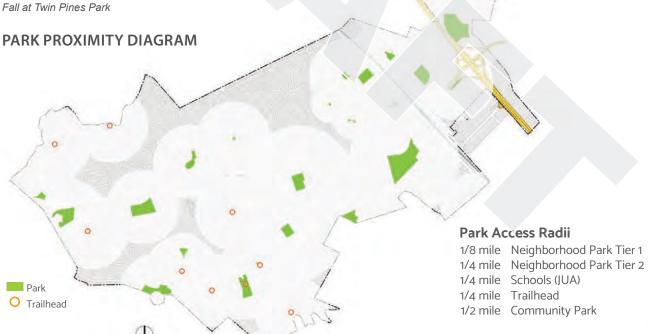


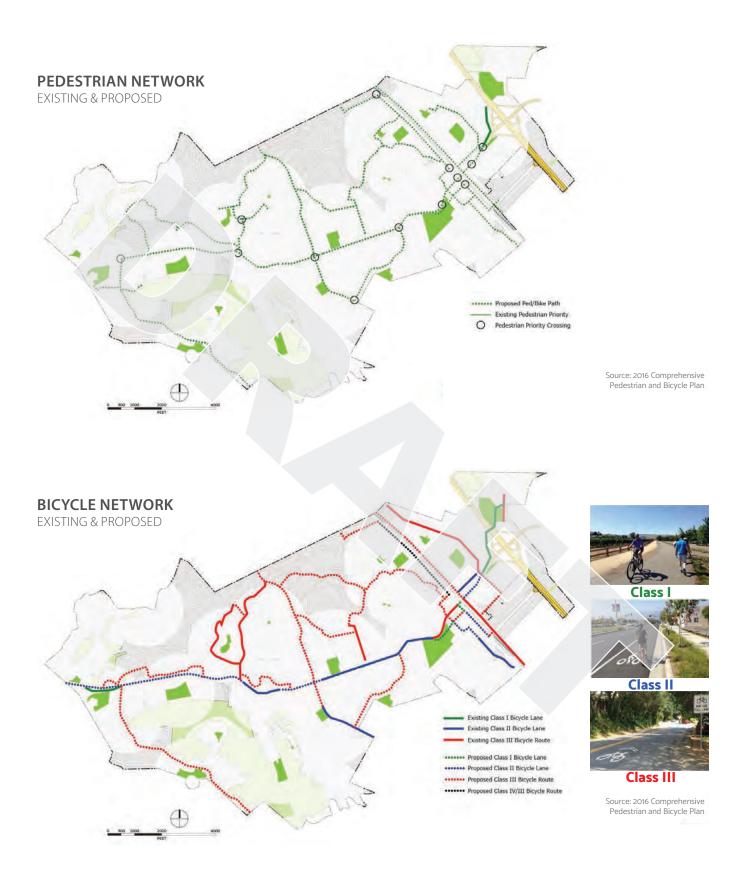
BIKE + PEDESTRIAN CONNECTIVITY

In 2016, the City adopted a Comprehensive Pedestrian and Bike Plan. The Plan's six goals support efforts to increase walking and biking in Belmont.

- 1. Create a safe and comfortable pedestrian and bicycle friendly environment that will encourage people of all ages to bike or walk.
- 2. Increase the rate of walking and bicycling in Belmont.
- 3. Promote multimodal transportation infrastructure that accommodates all users.
- 4. Support adopted citywide, regional, and State goals related to the provision of complete streets.
- 5. Provide a continuous network of pedestrian facilities that connects neighborhoods with key destinations and transit stops.
- 6. Support the development of a citywide bicycle network.

Belmont's parks are destinations. The network to connect parks can be, in itself, a park experience. Belmont's new parks opportunities are limited, so improving connections and networks is an innovative option. A network of pedestrian and bicycle access to connect parks is fully supported by the PROS Plan.





Hallmark Park



Alexander Park



Cipriani Park

EFFORTS TO DATE

EXISTING CONDITIONS

All parks and fields were evaluated and inventoried in late 2020. The Existing Conditions serve as a foundation for recommendations.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

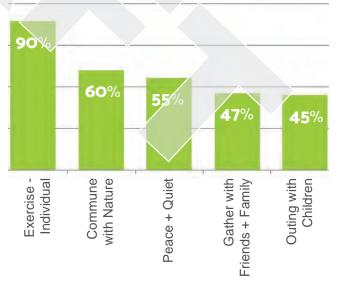
ONLINE SURVEY

In March 2021, an online survey gathered community input on current offerings and desired offerings in Belmont parks, recreation, and open space. Over 2,800 people responded, of which 49% were Belmont residents. The full survey results are available on the project website, **BelmontPROSplan.com**.

The PROS Master Plan is guided in part by the community input. With this feedback, the Plan can highlight those elements and opportunities enjoyed in the current parks - such as the exercise opportunities and connections with nature. By understanding what is desired - such as enhancing the tree canopy and increasing the multi-use paths - the PROS Plan can guide the development of parks, recreation and open space in Belmont over the next 15 years.

Top 5 Reasons to Visit

a park, recreation, or open space



Belmont PROS Survey Responses to Question #3. Belmont resident responses.

Top 6 Amenities positively-rated

To Enhance the Belmont Park Experience



Belmont PROS Survey Responses to Question #7. Belmont resident responses.

FOCUS GROUPS

To supplement the survey results, specific focus groups were identified and interviewed to complement community feedback received to date. The focus groups were identified through multiple means - groups with lower participation numbers in the online survey, groups identified by City Staff, Advisory Committee, and park partners.

Highlights from the five focus groups conducted so far include a desire for increased seating, increased shade and, and spaces designed for typically under-served users. See the graphic below for a summary of the focus group highlights.

UPCOMING ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Additional focus groups are scheduled for October 2021 to discuss park-specific DRAFT recommendations for Hidden Canyon Park and Ralston Ranch Park. Register to participate on the project website, **BelmontPROSplan.com**.

HIDDEN CANYON PARK Monday, October 18 6:30 pm

RALSTON RANCH PARK Wednesday, October 20 6:30 pm

The DRAFT Recommendations will also be presented at:

P&R COMMISSION Wednesday, November 3 7:00 pm CITY COUNCIL Tuesday, November 23 7:00 pm

FOCUS GROUP TAKE-AWAYS



SCHOOL DISTRICT / YOUTH SPORTS

- Incentivize school field improvements
- Continued growth in sports field demand
- Interest in synthetic turf



INCLUSIVITY

- Inclusive play elements sized larger (not just for small children)
- Sensory and tactile play
- Protected spaces, but with multiple sightlines and access points



YOUTH

- Hang-out space for youth/teens
- Add seating
- Larger-sized play equipment
- Community tables
- Game areas



SENIORS

- More seating
- More shade
- Generally happy with existing parks



DOG OWNERS

- More shade
- More seating
- More gathering and social spaces
- More waste bins
- Water fountain
- More locations