Elmont Road Community Workshop-4/6/2019

Questions	Responses
1A. How often do you use Elmont Road Park?	Daily
	o Basketball
	• Summer
	Pre-K summer days (every day as Children's Place is across the street and they use the park)
	and they use the park) o Concert series
	o Children's show
	• Spring
	May-After the AP test season
	During college breaks
	When kids were younger
	o Sprinklers
4D. Herry de very get to Elmont Bood Book?	- Walking
1B. How do you get to Elmont Road Park?	WalkingDriving
	Driving Parking is limited
	Biking
	o 1 bike rack
2. What is your favorite thing about Elmont Road	Equipment
Park?	o Slides
	o Sprinklers
	o Basketball
	Walking/Bike Path
	EventsConcerts
	ConcertsNature
	Trees/Wooded area
	 Trees act as canopy (shade in the summer)
	• Location
	 It is an ideal/central location for the community of Valley Stream and
	Elmont, but not for those closer to Belmont Park
	o Park is shared by Queens residents
2. What are storefolioset Bood Barb sould be	Kid Friendly Operation and a facilities and the second s
3. What aspects of Elmont Road Park could be improved?	1. Overall improvements of existing park
improved:	Drainage when it rainsClean football field to prevent idle activity, smokers
	Make ADA friendly
	Improve nighttime lighting, even when park is not in use
	Improve playground equipment
	 6 places currently exist for swings, but only 2 work
	 Level out playground floor
	Kid-friendly sprinklers
	Improve basketball courts
	Improve handball court
	Improve rest areaSenior citizen areas
	Redo the bathrooms
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	2. Community Amenities
	Gazebo-Shaded area/awning
	Community garden/Planning areas
	 Collaborate with Children's Place?
	Community information board
	Clean seats/benches with picnic area
	Dog park/Dog run (separate area for each)
	3. Upkeep: Exclusive maintenance & on-site staff (not just in the summer months)
	Additional improvements
	Increase sidewalk size
	Parking-Separate from pedestrians & bike entrance
	Improve access into the park
	Refreshment stand/store
	No alcohol
	Recycling stands/receptacles
	Water fountain with filters that are changed regularly Maintain (improve shaded costing area)
	Maintain/improve shaded seating area Install security compass.
	Install security cameras

Questions	Responses
1A. How often do you use Elmont Road Park?	Daily- During the spring and summer
1B. How do you get to Elmont Road Park?	Walk
	Drive
2. What is your favorite thing about Elmont Road	Nothing
Park?	Plant life/greenery
	Basketball courts
	Sprinkler system
	Open space/flexibility
	• Swings
3. What aspects of Elmont Road Park could be	1. Multi-use sports field
improved?	Bleachers for all sports
	Event lighting for all sports
	Baseball field separate from multi-use field
	 Stands and scoreboards
	Track located around the multi-use field
	Basketball courts
	2. Security
	Lighting
	More cameras
	Personnel (booth)
	3. Age-appropriate play zones
	• Turf
	 For shock absorbance
	Flow of park element
	Additional improvements
	Bathrooms
	• Dirt
	Parking
	 Poor location and too much parking
	 Parking should be separate
	 Playground is too close to parking
	 Management of landscaping/maintenance
	Indoor facility for kid's activities
	Community recreation center
	 Place to work out/congregate

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1A. How often do you use Elmont Road Park?	• Summer
	• Weekends
	After school
	Baseball practice
	For use of the swings
	The park is used mostly for younger children as is not useful for older kids
	Averill park is used instead because, "it is better"
1B. How do you get to Elmont Road Park?	Walk
	• Drive
	Parking is OK for now
	Bus (NICE)
2. What is your favorite thing about Elmont Road	Relaxation/Reading/Sit/Wind down
Park?	Elmont Road Park is closer than Dutch Broadway school facilities
	Water/sprinkler system
	Swings/playground
	Bathroom
3. What aspects of Elmont Road Park could be	1. Security
improved?	Security on site/monitoring
	 Minimize unsafe activities, marijuana
	 Bathroom security
	Neighborhood watch
	Hours of operation: 9am-9/10pm
	 Lighting
	Access to the park from side road
	Crosswalk: Better labels, better signage
	Slower speed limits
	Permits for residents only
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	2. Facilities
	More practice fields
	 Basketball courts
	 Tennis courts
	 Handball court
	 Skateboard ramp
	Exercise areas
	 Better quality surfaces (good for health)
	Community center
	 Building for indoor activities
	 Stage
	3. Programming
	Food (concession stand) A continuous de la continuo
	Local vendors Local rearm
	lce cream Activities
	Activities
	• Lessons
	Movie nights School overts/communication with school for their programming
	 School events/communication with school for their programming
	Sports lessons
	Additional improvements
	Picnic area
	Senior relaxing/sitting area
	Kid area
	Water fountains
	Exercise area
	Bench improvements
	Dog area (restricted)
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1A. How often do you use Elmont Road Park?	Never
	Playground
	 Limited due to lack of renovations
	• Sprinklers
	Football
	Basketball
	 Limited due to cracked ground
	• Concerts
	 Programming has decreased
1B. How do you get to Elmont Road Park?	• Walk
	• Drive
	 Limited parking
2. What is your favorite thing about Elmont Road	• Location
Park?	Sprinklers
3. What aspects of Elmont Road Park could be	1. Security/Safety
improved?	Regulation in/out of the park
	 Increase on-site staff
	o Improve exits
	Visual safety/Landscaping
	Remove trees that block sightline through park Replace trees with smaller shrubs
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	 Update playground with safer equipment
	Fix flooring
	Fix flooding at the back of the park
	Improve exits in/out of the park
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	2. Recreation center on site
	Indoor programming
	Recreation center at Belmont Park is too far for majority of residents
	3. Walking track around perimeter of the park for people of all ages
	Additional improvements
	Provide seating/bleachers for all sports fields
	Concert programming
	Picnic area
	Tennis court
	Handball court
	Sump: Instead of packing all the parks current amenities into Elmont Road
	Park, also use the adjacent land (a.k.a. the Sump) for park space as well.
	Improve/increase chess tables

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o Clean	
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 Set up system so the water play area does not get wet/mudd 	
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Need lights to feel safe	/ and
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1A. How often do you use Elmont Road Park?	Never, "It's awful"
	Maybe once a year (2 respondents)
	 Other parks in Queens are used more often because conditions are not
	good at Elmont Road Park/family is closer to other parks
	"Not that much anymore"
	"Once of twice over the summer"
1B. How do you get to Elmont Road Park?	Walk around the block
	Walk from school
	Drive
2. What is your favorite thing about Elmont Road	Seating area near entrance
Park?	Location of playground within the park
	• Swings
	 Nice until they fell into disrepair
	• Sprinklers
	Parking lot
	Proximity
	Landscaping
	Hillside ivy helps keep homes more private
	 Shade of trees
	Chess/checkerboard tables
	Chessy checker bourd tubles
3. What aspects of Elmont Road Park could be	1. Special Tax District- "create a sense of pride in the park"
improved?	Convert to special tax district park
	 Islander \$ used for upkeep, ensures park is only used by residents of
	Elmont
	 Provide maintenance agreement
	Better security, maintenance and control
	Long term maintenance
	2. Walking/hiking trail
	Make it more like a hiking trail
	3. Year-round pool/gym/community space
	School district has no pool
	Gym equipment
	Additional improvements
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1B. How do you get to Elmont Road Park?	•
2. What is your favorite thing about Elmont Road	Sprinklers
Park?	Chess tables
	Playground
	Football
3. What aspects of Elmont Road Park could be	1. More diverse activity options
improved?	
	2. Improve landscape/beautify
	Make park brighter-
	 Increase access to sun Use lighter/brighter colors on materials throughout
	Better maintenance
	Detter maintenance
	3. Improve security
	Lighting
	Sight lines
	• Cameras
	• Patrols
	Higher fence to prevent jumping after hours
	Additional improvements
	Improve safety for entrance/exit of cars
	Improve drainage (smells)
	Smooth pavement
	Sports -Increase play options
	 Add turf field
	 Stop drugs/smoking on basketball courts
	 Rock climbing
	o Volleyball
	Skate park Adult fitness eversise structures
	Adult fitness exercise structuresBike trail
	Improve handball court
	 Add a walking/running track
	Playground
	 Move further from parking lot for safety
	 Playgrounds for different ages clearly marked
	 Sandbox in playground
	• Landscaping
	Decrease poison ivy
	 Convert wasted marshy edges into usable park space Add community garden
	Add community gardenMove/improve landscaping
	 Plant flowers that attract butterflies
	Bathrooms
	 Better maintenance
	 Stocked with toilet paper, soap
	 Bathroom attendant, full time
	 ADA accessible, including bathrooms
	Programming
	Partner with local schools for environmental programming CYO & for superpart sample and offer school programming
	 GYO \$ for summer camps and after-school programs
	Art programming Pool
	Later hours of operation
	 Concession stand and working vending machines