March 29, 2023



# **CITY OF FARMINGTON**

# PARKS, RECREATION, ARTS, & TRAILS

**MASTER PLAN** 

**APPENDIX A: PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT REPORT** 

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# **OVERVIEW: KEY FINDINGS**

As of March 27, 2023, the public engagement process for the City of Farmington's Parks, Recreation, Arts, and Trails Master Plan has included:

- A statically-valid survey
- A public input meeting
- A project website (that included comments forms, an interactive mapping tool, and more)

413 residents participated in the statically-valid survey and over 30 attended the public input meeting. The website has received over 890 unique visitors, with roughly 56 of those visitors submitting comments for a total of 116 comments received. The following pages summarize the key topics and findings from the public engagement process thus far.

# **KEY FINDINGS FROM SURVEY**

- Overall use of Farmington recreational amenities is high, with about 60% of residents using Farmington parks and trails at least once a month. Residents tend to gravitate toward parks and trails that are close to home.
- While the vast majority of city residents are satisfied with the number of trails and recreational programs in the city, there is a significant portion who say there are not enough open spaces (37%) and recreational facilities (47%), indicating that those might be good areas of focus for the city.
- In terms of improvements that residents would make to trails and parks, residents express most interest in additional restrooms, access to dog-friendly (as well as dog-restricted) areas, more green space, and a more interconnected trail system.

- 4. Regarding the expansion/improvements to Farmington aquatic facilities, there is a large proportion of residents who would be interested in an **indoor**, **year-round aquatic facility**, **in addition to the current Farmington Pool**. Pool attendance is higher than gym attendance, and there are many who feel as though a larger, more accessible pool would be preferable to the current seasonal option.
- In terms of other recreational facilities, demand is high for pickleball, swimming, and weightlifting facilities. Residents express interest in improvements to the Farmington Gym such as more exercise equipment and additional classes.

## **KEY FINDINGS FROM PROJECT WEBSITE**

Table A-1 shows the overall ranking of comment topics received through the project website. The topic scores were calculated based on the number of comments submitted and how many "likes" and "dislikes" the topics received (number of comments + likes - dislikes = topic score). The following were the top five most popular topics.

#### **TOP 5 TOPICS**

#### 1. Park Amenities

Forty-nine comments expressed desire for additional park amenities in Farmington – the most popular of which were additional pickleball courts (score: 60). Other popular amenities included a dog park (score: 25), splash pad (score: 19), skate park (score: 12), and trash cans (score: 11). Overall, these comments received 247 likes and 136 dislikes, creating a like to dislike ratio of 2:1.

Table A-1 - Top Public Comment Topics					
Торіс	Count	# of Likes	# of Dislikes	<b>Total Score</b> (count+likes-dislikes)	
Park Amenities	49	247	136	160	
Farmington Gym	39	233	122	150	
Trail Connections	42	110	7	145	
Swimming Pool	19	155	36	138	
Park Maintenance	19	76	16	79	
Appreciate Facilities	10	52	1	61	
Preserve Open Space	6	55	1	60	
Pedestrian Safety	14	31	4	41	
Trail Maintenance	17	12	0	29	
Arts	3	29	7	25	
Events	5	18	0	23	
Parking/Traffic	10	11	1	20	
Other Topic	8	10	0	18	
Inaccurate Representation on Map	4	8	0	12	
Trail Amenities	5	8	3	10	
New Parks	3	8	3	8	

#### 2. Farmington Gym

Thirty-nine comments addressed the Farmington Gym, with the majority expressing their desires for the anticipated facility expansion. Of those comments, 20 addressed the need for dedicated indoor pickleball courts (score: 134). Other reoccurring themes included the need for additional fitness equipment (score: 20), and dedicated group fitness rooms (score: 9). Overall, these comments received 233 likes and 122 dislikes, creating a like to dislike ratio of 2:1.

#### 3. Trail Connections

Forty-two comments suggested additional trail connections throughout the community and in the adjacent foothills. The comments addressed various trail types, including multi-use paths, bike lanes, sidewalks, mountain bike trails, and hiking trails. Overall, these comments received 110 likes and 7 dislikes, creating a like to dislike ratio of 16:1.

#### 4. Swimming Pool

Nineteen comments addressed the Farmington Pool, with the majority expressing their desire for an expanded facility. Of those comments, eleven expressed the need for an indoor facility (score: 99). Other requests for the pool included additional amenities (lazy river, slides, diving locker rooms, etc.) (score 14), lap lanes (score: 13), and recycling bins (score: 10). Overall, these comments received 155 likes and 36 dislikes, creating a like to dislike ratio of 4:1.

#### 5. Park Maintenance

Nineteen comments addressed maintenance issues within Farmington's Parks. Half of these comments were directed toward Woodland Park, expressing the need to replace benches and tables, update the amphitheater, and re-vegetate the park to its natural state (score: 47). Improvements to the Farmington Pond were also popular, including improved water quality and beach and the removal of non-native ducks/ geese (score: 20). Overall, these comments received 76 likes and 16 dislikes, creating a like to dislike ratio of 5:1.

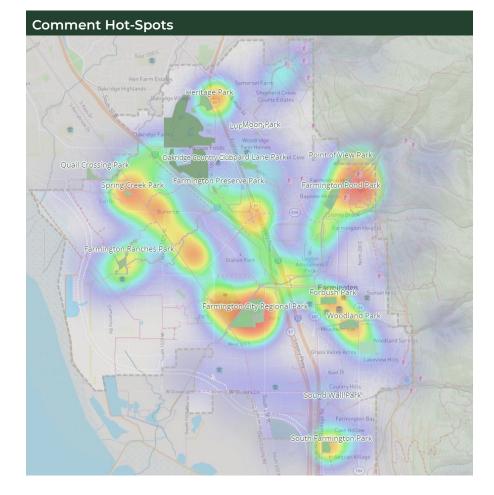
#### **MOST CONTROVERSIAL TOPICS**

The following topics had the lowest ratio of likes to dislikes, indicating these topics are controversial among residents:

- Dedicated Fitness Rooms at Farmington Gym (37 likes, 31 dislikes, ratio: 1:1)
- Childcare at Farmington Gym (15 likes, 27 dislikes, ratio: 1:2)
- Dog Park (38 likes, 16 dislikes, ratio: 2:1)
- Splash Pad (43 likes, 18 dislikes, ratio: 2:1)
- More Pickleball Courts (292 likes, 114 dislikes, ratio: 3:1)

#### **HOT SPOTS**

The Comment Hot Spot Map below illustrates the areas within the city that received the most location-specific comments. The areas with the highest concentration of comments (shown in red) include Farmington Regional Park/Gym, Farmington Pond, Woodland Park, and Heritage Park.



# **STATISTICALLY-VALID SURVEY**



# FARMINGTON PRAT COMMUNITY ATTITUDES SURVEY



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# **METHODOLOGY**



413 likely voters in Farmington City were sampled from the Utah state voter file. Invitations to participate in the online survey were sent via email and text message.



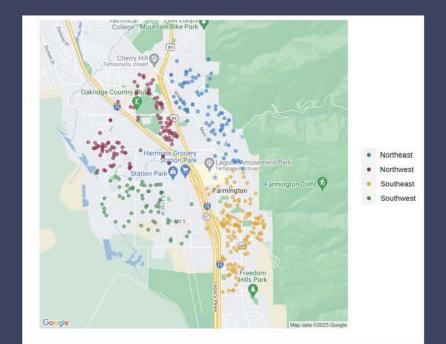
Dual-mode survey interviews were collected from January 25<sup>th</sup> through February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023.



Margin of error ± 4.8 percentage points.



Respondents are geographically representative of Farmington City residents at large. The sample has been weighted by age, gender, race, and homeowner status based on population estimates from the US Census American Community Survey.





- 1. Overall use of Farmington recreational amenities is high, with about 60% of residents using Farmington parks and trails at least once a month. Residents tend to gravitate toward parks and trails that are close to home.
- 2. While the vast majority of city residents are satisfied with the number of trails and recreational programs in the city, there is a significant portion who say there are not enough open spaces (37%) and recreational facilities (47%), indicating that those might be good areas of focus for the City.
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- 5. In terms of other recreational facilities, demand is high for pickleball, swimming, and weightlifting facilities. Residents express interest in improvements to the Farmington Gym such as more exercise equipment and additional classes.

# **KEY FINDINGS AT A GLANCE**

# **RECREATION AT A GLACE**

# **HIGH PARKS & TRAIL USAGE IN FARMINGTON**

Nearly all Farmington residents (98%) report visiting City parks at least a few times a year and nearly half (44%) visit as often as a few times a month. Visitation to Farmington trails is only slightly less common, with only 7% of residents reporting that they never use or visit City trails. In both metrics, Farmington far exceeds the national average.

#### How often do you use or visit Farmington City parks and trails?



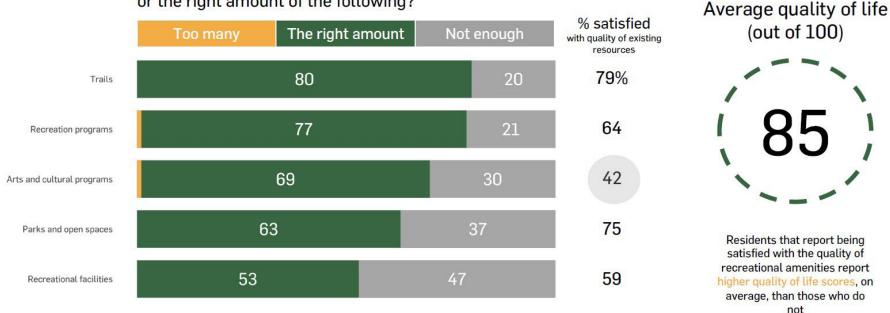
48% of Americans report visiting a park and recreation facility 1-5 times per year, suggesting that Farmington residents attend recreation facilities more than the national average (62% of Farmington residents attend a Farmington park once a month or more, and 57% attend a Farmington trail at least once a month).

Q: When it comes to recreational opportunities, do you think Farmington has too many, not enough, or just the right amount of each of the following? (n = 358); Q: Overall, how satisfied are you with the quality of each of the following types of recreational opportunities in Farmington City? (n = 347); Q: All things considered, on a scale from 0 to 100, with 0 being very low and 100 being very high, how would you rate your overall quality of life in Farmington? (n = 370).

### **RESIDENTS SATISFIED WITH TRAILS, BUT WANT MORE FACILITIES & PARKS**

Farmington residents are pleased with the overall quality of life in Farmington, giving an average rating of 85 points out of 100. Most residents are pleased with the number of recreational opportunities the City offers, particularly when it comes to trails and recreation programs. Respondents generally report wanting more recreational facilities and parks and open spaces. Residents also report low levels of satisfaction with the quality of arts and cultural programs offered, indicating room for improvement in that vertical.

# Does Farmington have too many, not enough, or the right amount of the following?



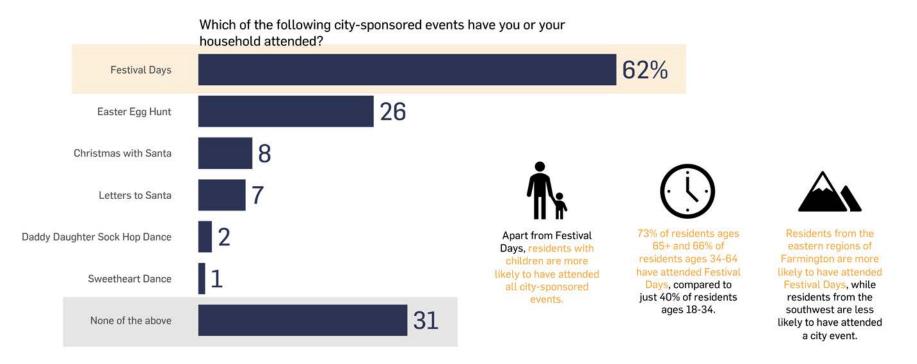
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### FESTIVAL DAYS HAS BROAD APPEAL, OPPORTUNITY FOR MORE ENGAGEMENT

While 62% of respondents have attended Festival Days, nearly a third of residents (31%) say they have never attended any city-sponsored event. With the exception of Festival Days (which draws residents in all life stages), residents with children are more likely to have attended all city events.



Q: Have you or any other members of your household attended or participated in any of the following city-sponsored events, performances, groups, or activities in Farmington? Christmas with Santa (n = 305)

# FARMINGTON CITY PARKS

# MAJORITY OF RESIDENTS USE PARKS AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH

62% of respondents report using Farmington City parks at least once a month, with only 1% reporting that they never visit. Residents with children, younger residents, and those who live in the southwest region of the City report using City parks most frequently.

#### How often do you use or visit Farmington City parks?

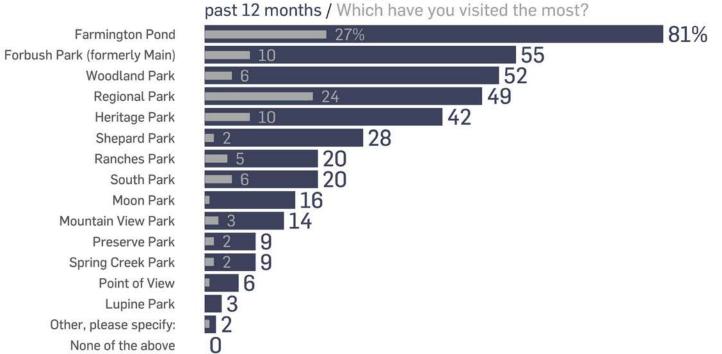


Q: How often do you use or visit Farmington City parks ? (n = 350)

# FARMINGTON POND MOST VISITED PARK OVERALL

Just over 80% of respondents report visiting Farmington Pond in the past year and at least half have visited Forbush, Woodland, and Regional Park. When it comes to parks residents visit most often, Farmington Pond and Regional Park are the most popular.

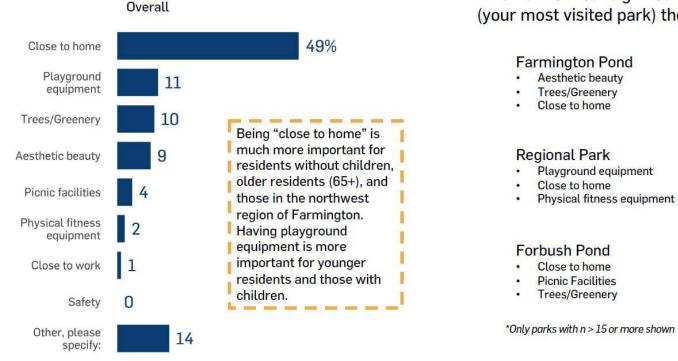
Which of the following parks have you visited in the



Q: Which of the following Farmington City parks have you visited in the past 12 months? Please select all that apply. If you do not know the name of the park(s) you visit, you can refer to the map above. (n = 337): Q: Which of the following Farmington City parks have you visited the most? (n = 301).

# **RESIDENTS FAVOR PARKS THAT ARE CLOSE TO HOME**

In nearly every park that residents frequent most often, being close to home is one of, if not the most often the most popular reason for visiting. Playground equipment is considerably more important for residents with children compared to those without children.



#### What is the most significant reason that you visit (your most visited park) the most?

#### **Farmington Pond**

- Aesthetic beauty
  - - Trees/Greenery
      - Playground equipment

#### Woodland Park

Close to home

Heritage Park

Close to home

- Trees/Greenery
- Aesthetic beauty

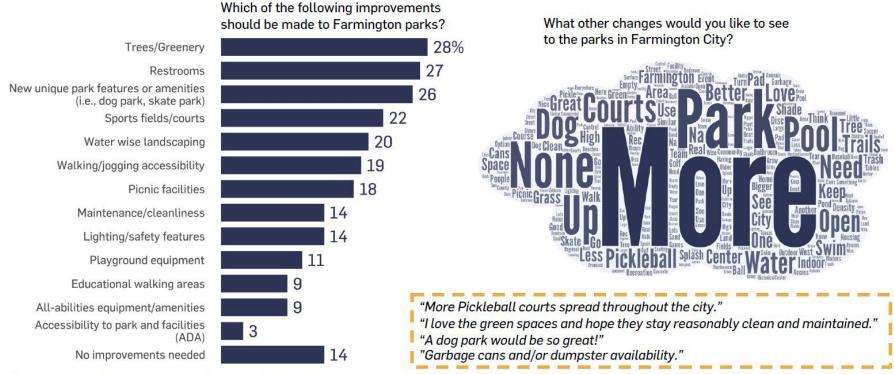
#### Ranches Park

- Close to home
- **Picnic Facilities**
- Safety .

Q: What is the most significant reason that you visit the most? (n = 330)

### GREEN SPACES, RESTROOMS, & DOG PARKS MOST POPULAR REQUESTS

Respondents report that they would like to see more trees/greenery, restrooms, and new features in Farmington parks. When asked about any additional changes they would like to see, respondents mention that they would like to see more well-maintained green space, designated areas for dogs, and better upkeep of garbage disposal in parks.



Q: Which, if any, of the following improvements should be made to the parks in Farmington City? Please select all that apply. (n = 334); Q: What other changes, if any, would you like to see to the parks in Farmington City? (n = 156).

# FARMINGTON CITY TRAILS

### MAJORITY OF RESIDENTS VISIT TRAILS AT LEAST ONCE A MONTH

The majority of Farmington residents visit trails at least once a month and only 7% report that they have never used or visited a Farmington trail. Residents with children are much more likely to report visiting trails, as are younger residents and those who live in the southwest region of the city.

#### How often do you use or visit Farmington City trails?



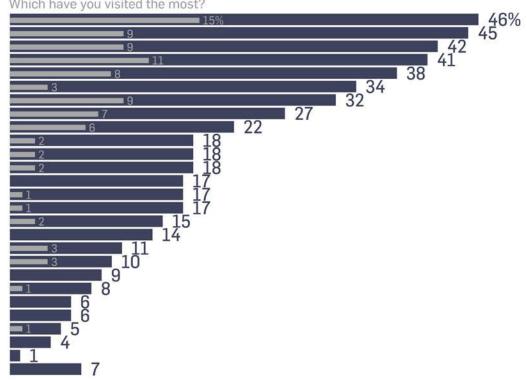
Q: How often do you use or visit Farmington City trails ? (n = 333)

### LEGACY TRAIL & FARMINGTON CREEK TRAIL MOST VISITED TRAILS

Nearly half of residents report visiting Legacy Trail and Farmington Creek Trail in the last year. When asked about the trails they visit most often, the largest proportions of residents report that their most frequented trails are the Legacy Trail and the Bonneville Shoreline Trail.

Which of the following trails have you visited in the past 12 months /

Which have you visited the most?



Q: Which of the following Farmington City trails have you visited in the past 12 months? Please select all that apply. (n = 291); Q: Which of the following Farmington City trails have you visited the most? (n = 240).

Legacy Trail

Flag Rock Trail

Rails-to-Trails

Farmington Creek Trail

Historic Main Street

Farmington Bay Trail

Shepard Creek Trail

Francis Peak Trail Davis Creek Trail/Loop

Bountiful Peak Trail Haight Creek Trail The Farm MTB Trails

Old Aqueduct Trail Farmington Spine Trail Oakridge Preserve Trail

Wolverine Trail

'03 Fire Trail Freedom Hills Trail

Bonneville Shoreline Trail

Great Salt Lake Shoreline Trail Farmington Lower/Upper Terrace Trail

The Grotto/Hornet Canyon

Steed Creek/Canyon Trail

South Frontage Road Trail

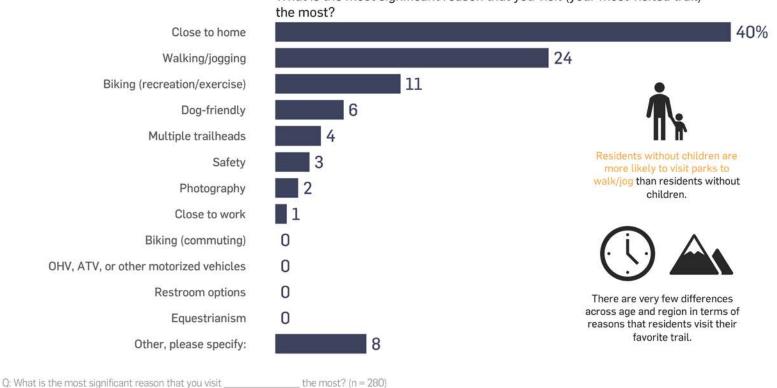
Ford Canyon Overlook Trail

Other, please specify:

Nature Center Trail at Farmington Bay

# **RESIDENTS PRIORITIZE TRAILS THAT ARE CLOSE TO HOME**

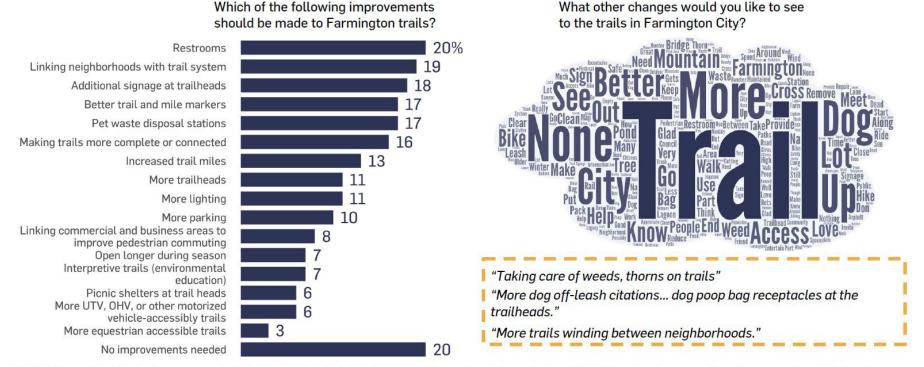
A plurality of residents (40%) say the reason they visit their favorite trail most often is because it is close to home. Ability to walk/jog on the trail is an important factor as well, with 24% of residents selecting it as the number one reason they visit their favorite trail.



What is the most significant reason that you visit (your most visited trail)

# **RESIDENTS WANT MORE RESTROOMS & CONNECTED TRAILS**

Regarding trail improvements, respondents report that they would like to see an increase in restroom availability, trails connecting neighborhoods, increased signage and mile markers, and pet disposal stations. When asked about additional changes they would like to see, residents mention better trail maintenance (clearing brush, etc.), less off-leash dogs, and interconnected trails.



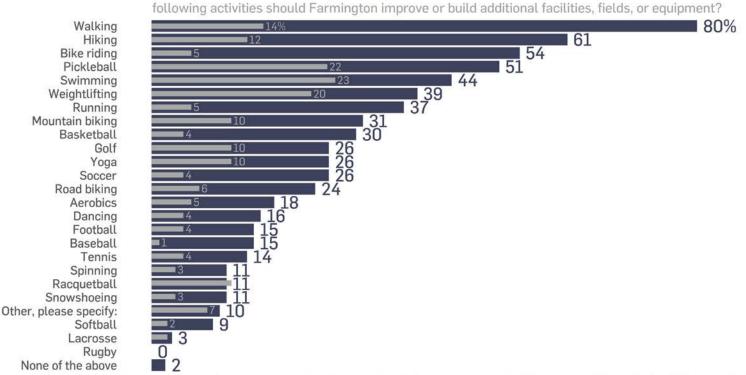
Q: Which, if any, of the following improvements should be made to the trails in Farmington City? Please select all that apply. (n = 305); Q: What other changes would you like to see to the trails in Farmington City? (n = 115).

# FARMINGTON CITY RECREATION FACILITIES

# HIGHEST NEEDS ARE PICKLEBALL, SWIMMING, & WEIGHTLIFTING

While most residents report that they walk or hike for recreation, few report that those facilities (trails, etc.) need to be improved. Areas in which residents make the most pickleball, swimming, and weightlifting facilities.

What sports or activities does your household do for exercise or recreation? / Which of the

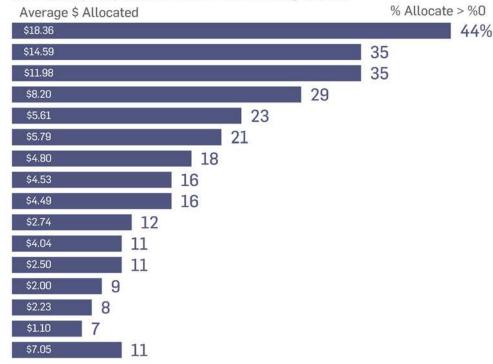


Q: For members of your household (you, your children, your spouse, etc.), what sports or activities do you regularly do for exercise or recreation? Please select all that apply. (n = 305); Q: For which, if any, of the following activities do you think Farmington City should improve or build additional facilities, fields, or equipment? (n = 289).

## **RESIDENTS PRIORITIZE POOL & GYM IN BUDGET ALLOCATION**

When given a hypothetical \$100 budget to allocate to various facilities and programs, most residents dedicate at least a portion of their funds to building an additional aquatics facility, expanding the Farmington Gym, and preserving open spaces.

#### How would you spend \$100 across the following options?



Q: Imagine that you had \$100 to allocate to the Farmington City Parks and Recreation department. How would you allocate that \$100 across the various options? You may spend the \$100 on one option or spread it amongst the options, but the end total spent must equal \$100. (n = 301)

Expanding the Farmington Gym Preservation of natural open spaces Additional walking and bike trails Upgrade existing parks and playgrounds Trailhead amenities/improvements Additional athletic courts (tennis, basketball, etc.) New neighborhood and community parks Additional recreation programs for seniors Additional arts and cultural programs

Expanded/additional aquatics facility

Additional athletic fields for games and practice

Additional recreation programs for adults Additional city sponsored arts and cultural events

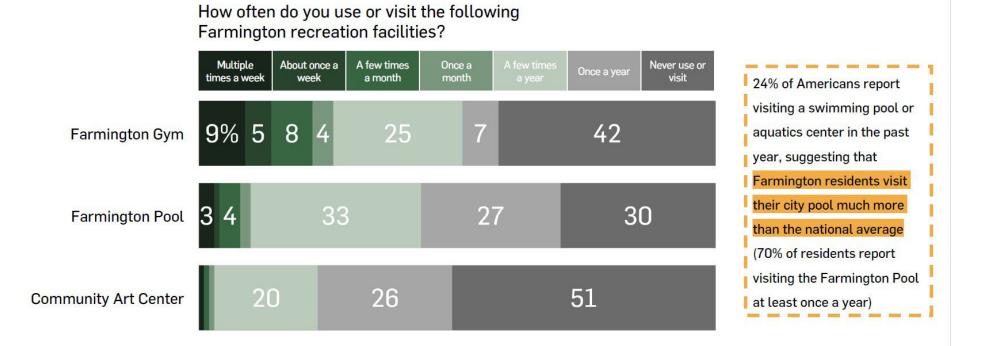
Additional recreation programs for youth

Public art features

Other, please specify:

# GYM MOST FREQUENTLY USED, ARTS CENTER RARELY USED

70% of respondents report visiting the Farmington Pool at least once a year, far surpassing the national average. About a quarter of respondents report that they visit the Farmington Gym at least once a month. A majority of respondents have never visited the Community Arts Center.



Q: How often do you use or visit the following Farmington City recreation facilities? (n = 315)

# **RESIDENTS MORE SATISFIED WITH GYM THAN POOL**

While 66% of respondents report satisfaction with the Farmington Gym, 51% report satisfaction with the Farmington Pool. Residents with children tend to be less satisfied in these facilities than those without children, as are younger residents.

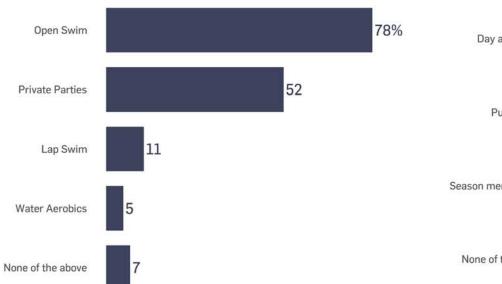
How satisfied are you with Farmington Gym's/Pool's facilities, programs, and offerings?



Q: How satisfied are you with Farmington Gym's facilities, programs, and offerings? (n = 180); Q: How satisfied are you with Farmington Pool's facilities, programs, and offerings? (n = 200).

## POOL PREDOMINATELY USED FOR OPEN SWIM & PAID FOR BY DAY

A large majority (78%) of respondents report having participated in open swim at the Farmington Pool, a smaller majority have attended a private party. Most respondents use daily admission to attend the Pool, with far fewer using a punch pass or membership.

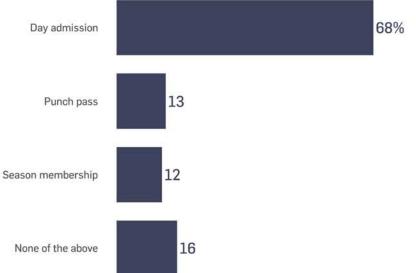


Which of the following activities or

or your family participated in?

programs at the Farmington Pool have you

When you visit/visited the Farmington Pool, how do you/did you pay to enter?



Q: Which of the following activities or programs at the Farmington Pool have you or members of your family participated in or attended? (n = 202); Q: When you visit/visited the Farmington Pool, how do/did you pay to enter? Please select all that apply. Day admission (n = 198).

### DESIRE FOR ADDITIONAL FACILITY WITH YEAR-ROUND CAPABILITIES

When faced with the tradeoff of building an additional aquatics facility or improving the existing one, a slight majority (56%) of respondents would choose to build an additional aquatics facility. Younger residents and those with children are more likely to want an additional facility compared to other residents. Speaking more specifically of improvements they would like made, residents express interest in having an indoor facility with year-round capabilities, as well as larger pools for more people to enjoy.

Would you rather this funding be used to expand or improve the existing facility or build an additional aquatics facility?

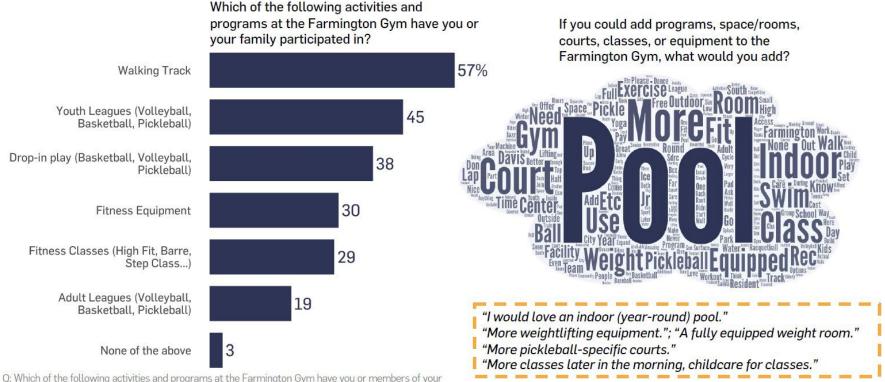
What types of additions or improvements would you like to see made to the aquatic facility?



Q: Farmington City recently approved funding for the design of an aquatics facility in Farmington. Given the choice between the following options, would you rather this funding be used to expand or improve the existing facility or build an additional aquatics facility? (n = 299); Q: Assuming the funding is used to expand the existing aquatics facility, what, if any, types of additions or improvements would you like to see made? (n = 191).

## **RESPONDENTS WANT MORE EXERCISE EQUIPMENT & CLASSES**

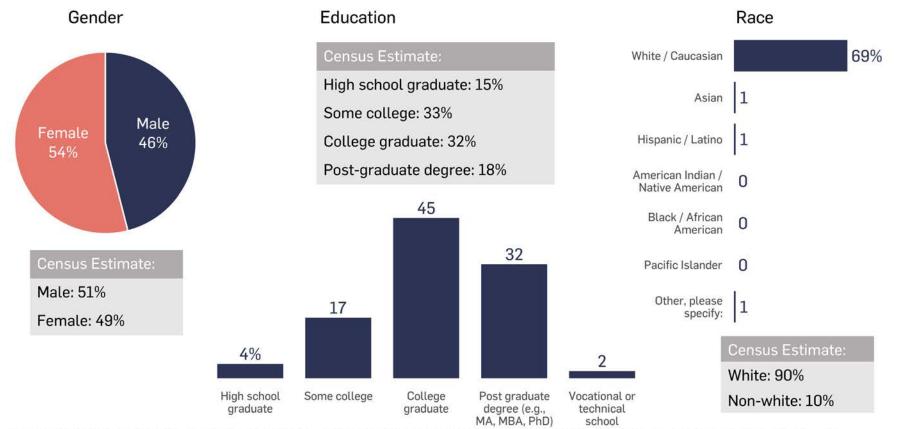
The walking track (57%) is the most popular activity at the Farmington Gym, but Youth League programs (45%) are also popular. When asked about additional programs or resources they would like added to the gym, residents overwhelmingly express interest in an indoor pool, as well as more weightlifting/exercise equipment and classes.



Q: Which of the following activities and programs at the Farmington Gym have you or members of your family participated in or attended? Please select all that apply. (n = 180); Q: Farmington City recently approved funding for the expansion design of the Farmington Gym. If you could add programs, space/rooms, courts, classes, or equipment to the Farmington Gym, what would you add? (n = 222).

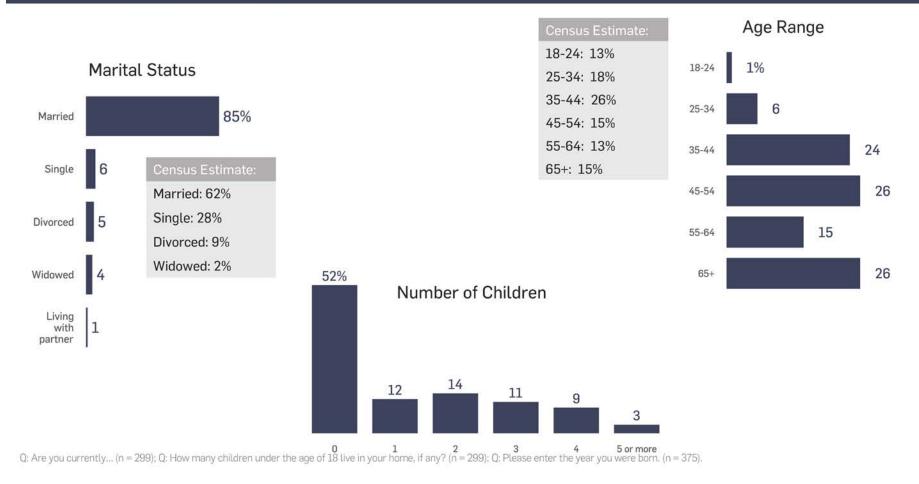
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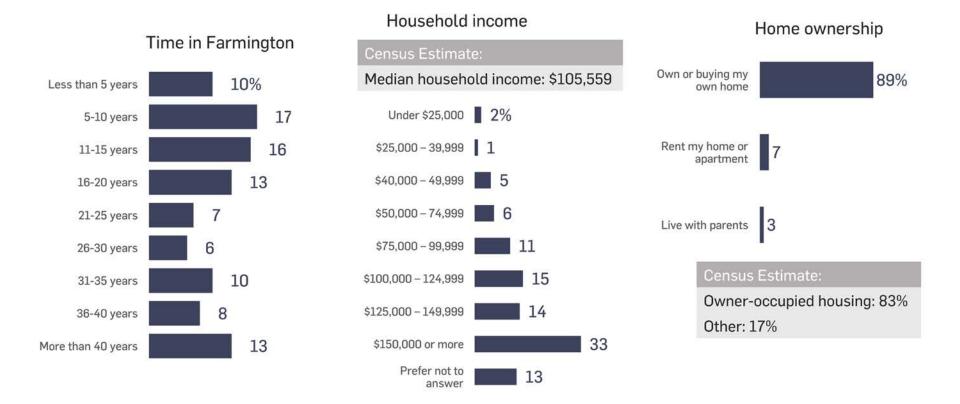


Q: Which of the following best describes how you think of yourself? (n = 299); Q: What is the last year of school you have completed? (n = 297); Q: Are you... Please select all that apply. (n = 296).

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Q: How long have you lived in Farmington? (n = 299); Q: What do you expect your 2023 family income to be? (n = 297); Q: Which of the following best describes your current living situation? (n = 299).



# **WEBSITE: GENERAL COMMENTS**

The following comments were received via the project website's comment forms:

 We have loved living in Farmington for almost a decade now. It's been interesting to watch things evolve. I would like to offer my experience and connections for the betterment of the arts and entertainment facilities in town.

To toot my own horn for a minute, I work as the in-state representative for Electronic Theatre Controls - the world's premiere lighting and integration platform for entertainment, museums, houses of worship, sports complexes etc.... small to massive. From community theaters to Disney and Broadway, we are the de facto choice. We just completed a large core system at the new Hyatt hotel in SLC and we handle all performance lighting systems on Temple Square, in the Conference Center and in the SL Temple (pending completion of course...) Most recently in Farmington, I have been assisting Spectrum Engineering, designing the systems for lighting and rigging in the new Legacy Events Center sports complex addition.

I would love to be involved in better establishing and advancing the community's performing arts venues and infrastructures. I have extensive experience in live concert, broadcast and theater systems / facilities and can act as a pseudo-consultant in those realms (gratis) if there is need.

I also have several thoughts I would like to share / propose when it comes to the existing facilities and for a new facility if that's something the community would like to explore.

Please let me know if there's a role I could play in your efforts, I would enjoy being involved. I'll attend the meeting on the 5th as well. Thank you.

- 2. Thank you for all of your efforts to put this together. While it is still in the works, please be mindful that the Trails Committee was disbanded before PRAT was up and running, leaving the trails vulnerable and less cared for than before. Please make a plan to maintain the trails until the Master Plan takes effect. They have already suffered much this year without an official governing body. If you're looking for experts on our trails, there was not a great need to pay an outside company thousands of tax payer dollars: the former Trails Committee members have more experience and on the ground knowledge than any outsider you can find. As you know, they are dedicated and wise, helpful citizens. If having an outside perspective was desirable in hiring a firm, I strongly encourage them to still interview the Trails Committee and residents who use the trails regularly if they have not already. Thank you!!!
- 3. How can I get involved with the committee? I'd love to be a part of the team and be an advocate for the residents of our beautiful city. Let me know.
- 4. Dog Park Please
- 5. I would love to see the Farmington Gym Expansion include a large room (basketball court size like we use in the existing building) designated for workout classes. Also, approved, safe, indoor Pickleball courts, without cement stairs to fall on.) As many as possible. The Gym is amazing, it just isn't big enough to accommodate everyone that wants to use it. The track seems like it is adequate. We could use more room for weights and weight lifting. I am so excited that there is going to be an expansion!!! A splash pad would be so much fun at Heritage Park or another Park in Farmington.
- Re: the proposed expanded rec -center... Whatever your plans are, I
  encourage you to double the quantity of pb courts with outdoor floors.
  Bountiful can't be counted on to carry their share of growth for several
  reasons, only one of which is deafness and comfort seeking city

council members who are notoriously 50 years behind any worthwhile project. PB is growing and will continue but Bountiful has zero land available and less money to develop anything worthwhile. I appreciate playing in your beautiful gymnasium! But, BUT, the lighting and spacing is less than ideal. That is as nicely put as I can manage. Ha!

- 7. We understand there is talk of possible renovation to the Rec Center. I love this center playing pickle ball 3x/week. I would love to see the floor changed to the outdoor surface of the courts and marked according to the rules of pickle ball. It would also be great to have a separate area for the classes (aerobic, etc.) since the music is very distracting while playing. Thank you!!!
- 8. I have been amazed at the growth of Pickleball. It shows no signs of slowing down. The outside and indoor courts are full most of the day. Players love to play on outside surfaces. One option is to build the new gym section with outside surfaces and portable nets. Players would pay a premium to play on outside surface courts all winter, when it is raining or windy or too hot. it would leave the present gym for exersize . The loud music makes it nearly impossibe to hear your self think if you are trying to play a sport on another section of the gym.
- 9. I'm writing about Woodland Park in Farmington, which has been one of my favorite places since I was a teenager. I've always loved having a patch of forest nearby, and this stand of woods is very dear to me. My friends and I use it all the time for all kinds of activities. We've already lost so much of Davis County's natural beauty to the March of "Progress". I know plenty of people are clamoring for Woodland's trees to be bulldozed, and this place to be turned into yet another boring lawnscape like every other park in Davis County. I beg you, please, please, let us keep our little piece of Woodland! These other people have plenty of ordinary parks they can go to- Forbush Park is not even a mile away! Please leave just one park for people who want a different experience!
- 10. I want to put my support behind building 12 indoor courts with outdoor court surfaces at the Farmington Gym

- I am in favor of the twelve new pickleball courts with indoor surfaces at the Rec Center. I am leaving my comment here because the website is not very easy to navigate. Thank you!
- 12. Hello! I'm an avid pickleball player and fan and know how large our pickleball community is here in Farmington. I am in favor of building new indoor courts with outdoor surfacing. I know they will be utilized not only through open play, but could be a great revenue service through tournaments, corporate events, etc. Hope we get some courts soon!

Appendix A: Public Engagement Report **39** 

# **WEBSITE: LOCATION-BASED COMMENTS**

# "I LIKE THIS"

- 1. Love the idea of connecting here
- 2. Making this connect to the Shepard on train and rails to trails here would be great!
- 3. Love the idea of extending this trail
- 4. This park is great and is used year-round for sports and play.
- This trail system is a great asset to the community! Thank you for supporting it. I'm a frequent user and live in the adjacent neighborhood. I hear great things about it from my neighbors as well. I'd love ways to invite more people out to the trails. Perhaps some Discovery events or hosted rides.
- 6. This has been the most useful and intelligent use of Farmington owned land in the last 10 years. It's incredible to have trails of this caliber in our backyard. What this has done for the youth is fantastic.
- 7. As the owner of the Allie Rose home, the future home of Buttered Bakeshop, we love this idea of having the 17 acres behind us made into something for the community. We have seen one proposed plan with a flower farm, a place for a farmers market, pickleball courts, a hydroponic farm, a place for small local shops to bring in goods, park space, etc. We would love the see this space become a high-quality facility to better showcase the charm and history of Farmington!
- 8. Being a Resident of Kaysville but growing up in Farmington my family and I would greatly enjoy what the other individual proposed. It would be amazing to have this area created for the residents and not have more housing in this location. Adding beauty to the community!
- 9. The Farm is an amazing addition to the Farmington Trails system. Continue to fund improvements and development in this area.

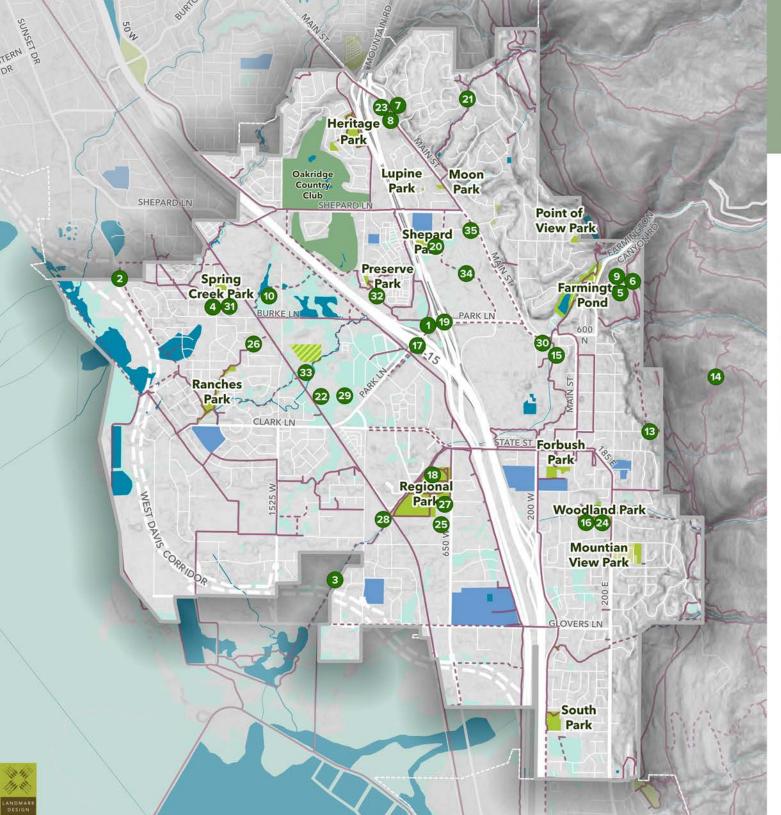
- Nice trail connection along stream. Also probably much safer than trail(?) along Burke. I don't know about a trail on Burke unless referring to bike lanes.
- Nice long section for road bikes with no crossings. Same as Legacy trail in this area (can't wait for construction to be done again so it can be used).
- 12. Beautiful trail (Davis creek). This is an example of what we need more of. It is fairly well maintained (despite some steep sections on some routes).
- This is a nice example of a trailhead that has been impacted by development. I like how it was integrated instead of ignored.
- 14. Great trail that seems well maintained.
- 15. Even with damage from previous wind storms, this is a highlight for urban trails. The path is nice, bridges are nice, and you seem isolated from the surrounding. Keeping a buffer (at least a bunch of trees screening is nice even though there are some areas being developed around.
- I just discovered this park last year. Beautiful and isolated. The proposed connection to Steed Creek trails would be nice as shown. It could use some maintenance, but it is lovely.
- 17. This trail is a must for east/west connectivity and safety.
- 18. Indoor pickleball courts with outdoor surfaces would be so much used! There is greater demand to join leagues than there are slots. A dedicated room for dance aerobics would be awesome. The music level used urrently in the gym is way too loud.
- Thank you for proposing a trail to cross here for pedestrians and bikes. As currently constituted it cannot be crossed.

- 20. The lighted tennis courts are fantastic! Pickleball is fun too but let's keep the tennis courts (don't reconfigure into pickleball courts as I have seen some cities do)
- 21. The residents are pulling there weight down this trail and it is still managing to outgrow what we can do! I do believe it is county property but we are not getting anywhere with them as well. It could become a fire hazard sooner than later with the over growth. It could just be putting goats on there for a spring!
- 22. Yes agreed need a skatepark designed my skate kids. Love the thought of a perimeter type speed track for beginners and parents so adults have a loop and beginner kids another loop thoughts so when I take my 6th grader to a skatepark there is room for his younger beginner sister to ride safe here and others there etc. Like little zones etc. I want discussion here to facilitate all ages and spectators. (The ones who designed the curiosity museum thanksgiving pt w baby toilets etc. Genius)
- 23. I love the idea of having this as a community space and not more housing. A place for gathering, farmers markets, pickleball, summer concerts, etc. I love the idea of having small local shops like Buttered Bakery. Having grown up in Farmington I loved when this was the botanical gardens and Potters farm. Something that hearkens back to those days in the design would be magical.
- 24. "I love this park; it's one of my favorite parks I've ever been to. It does sadden me how much vegetation has been lost over the years, though."
- 25. "Regarding the "Indoor" Pickleball facility adjacent to the Farmington Gym, the Hansen family is 100% in favor! Playing on the outdoor courts when I started playing on 2020 has been terrific! What a great way to get exercise and to meet my fellow Farmington Neighbors. Please CONTINUE supporting PB with the 12 indoor courts w/outdoor court material.

Also, consider 20-30 more courts & amp; a Tournament /

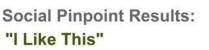
Championship court with seating to attract more TOURNAMENTS - the sport will continue to GROW!!!"

- 26. I love the idea of this trail running through the train park and connecting with the rail trail. But is this actually possible? Will S&S allow a trail through their property?
- 27. It would be amazing to get some indoor pickleball courts with outdoor surfacing! E have a huge pickleball community here and I know they would be busy all the time!
- 28. The courts are always full and indoor courts in Farmington would be fully utilized.
- 29. This is the Place for 20-30 Pickleball Courts & amp; 1 Championship/ Tournament Court. Farmington could attract a National PB Tournament & amp; many state & amp; regional tournaments. The sport will continue to Grow Faster than any other.
- 30. like more trails
- 31. More fun trails for kids
- 32. like the butterflies idea it will get kids existed
- 33. Love this idea for a connecting trail here.
- 34. Love this trail/sidewalk here.
- 35. Love this trail/sidewalk along Main.



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## **"I HAVE A CONCERN"**

- I don't have concerns over the activities in and around the canyon, my concern is the lack of control of the traffic along 100 E and 600 North. The concerns are: volume of traffic, the only way to these activities is 100 E, speeding, lack of stopping at stop signs, noisy trucks and off road vehicles. Users coming from outside Davis County because most other canyons are charging to use. There is no charge to access Farmington Canyon. General disrespect for the residents in this area.
- 2. This area should stay residential/agricultural and not be converted to sports/soccer complex.
- 3. I would love to see the dumpster be available at this park year-round. It makes my unofficial park clean-ups much easier!
- 4. There needs to be childcare or relaxed rules for kids sitting in bleachers during fitness classes. Other than young babies and toddlers, kids should be able to sit on bleachers without being bothersome. The current rule is that kids up to 7 have to be on a stroller/wagon, which they hate and seems hazardous, blocking the gym area. Post a sign that "kids need to be in strollers if they can't stay in the bleachers during class." ...or please bring back childcare.
- 5. Trail is fairly overgrown and could use some work, a great hidden gem in Farmington with access to a waterfall.
- 6. Trail disappears last time I went on this section due to nearby construction of condos...needs to be re-established.
- Concern about the creation of a new at grade trail crossing due to 950 N construction. This is a nice uninterrupted section due to it being a former railroad (does RR crossing regulations still apply with UTA ownership?).
- 8. Nice trail, but severely overrun by goatheads which make it not nice.

- 9. Excessive gates on this rail trail are difficult with kids. These are not recommended. Also, this crossing is on top of a hill that sometimes makes visibility difficult with cars.
- I went on this last year (Bountiful peak) and it was severely eroded and difficult for even regular hikers. Glad I was going down (went up Ford trail).
- 11. Development seems to be getting close to this trail/road. I hope the corridor is preserved!
- I haven't been on this section for a while, but it seems like it was harder to find than above the road crossing. Better signage & amp; maintenance would make this more used and be safer than hiking up road.
- 13. Short rail section really makes the gates at the crossings annoying here.
- 14. You really need to work on your definition of a trail if this is considered one (Is I-15 also considered a trail...it at least has a shoulder)
- 15. I went on this last year and it seems there were some eroded sections around some of the chutes on the mountain. Nice trail though.
- 16. Hopefully this trail is being protected with the highway. It is a nice escape around west Farmington.
- 17. This may not be parks and rec. but cleanup of the sycamore leaves that fall in the cemetery is regularly ignored in the fall. They might do one clean up if we are lucky. Huge burden when the wind blows for people west of the cemetery. We get All the leaves in our yard. It isn't fair. This happens almost every fall/winter. Please do more regular fall maintenance. Taking of leaves etc.
- 18. Agree with others. This park needs major attention. Many things not safe. Broken benches with exposed sharp metal. Fallen trees and branches. It's a mess. This is such a beautiful and wonderful part of Farmington. A hidden gem of sorts. Would be nice to really give it a face lift.

- 19. I have nothing against the pond, bike trail or use of the canyon, however; traffic in this area is horrific. This is the only way in and out of this area. People are disrespectful of the area. There is a lot of speeding, failure to stop at the stop signs, incredible noise all hours of the day and night. Now we have people coming in from other counties because there is no charge for use of the area. Other areas charge to use. Need an additional way into and out the area.
- 20. Anyone wanting to go East off of the rail trail onto Park lane is forced onto the road because there isn't a sidewalk or trail currently. This is particularly dangerous for runners.
- 21. There isn't an east-side walk for long stretches along this road, which is an issue for many runners and pedestrians in this area. I would also like to see a more defined bike lane on this road, if only because there are may cyclists but the road is quite narrow.
- 22. No bike lane on west Glovers Lane. Have nearly hit bikers or other cars trying to avoid bikers. A bike lane when UDOT construction is finished would be helpful.
- 23. "Noise of some dance classes is correlated with serious damage to adults and children. Adults choose risk or are forced to take the risk because of too few pickleball and exercise places to maintain health. MOST IMPORTANT is that noise is above levels associated with congenital defects for pregnant women and lifelong neurological damage to babies and children.

Correlation of illness/ugly deaths with smoking was debated decades before society would decide to protect the innocent children."

- 24. The population of Farmington has outgrown the size of the outdoor pool. It is always extremely overcrowded now.
- 25. Ahhh...this was a sod farm that Forza FC rented years ago. Now it is several industrial warehouses. Definitely not a park or soccer complex anymore.

- 26. No new pickle ball courts. Pickleball brings in the scum of Davis county. Rude, obnoxious and disrespectful.
- 27. Need to remove the domestic ducks and geese. They ruin the area.The people who feed them make it worse throwing corn and seed.Wild ducks and Canadian geese should be fine. No domestic.
- 28. Please do not add more pickleball courts. Pickleball players have yelled at my kids for "disturbing their game" because they were "too loud" playing on the playground. They are kids! There needs to be more playgrounds at such a big park. The one gets overcrowded during the summer.
- 29. Need a safe crossing here. Lots of pedestrian traffic from neighborhood to church and mountain side trails. A kid was hit here. A turn lane would be helfpul too. Accidents happen here.
- 30. Lights on paved trail are damaged or no longer working.
- 31. Under brush and bushes blocking view to and from the south making intersection dangerous for both the traffic coming from the south heading north on Lagoon Drive and traffic accessing Lagoon Drive from Clark Lane.
- 32. There is no sidewalk and barely a shoulder to walk here. It is a dangerous spot not pedestrian friendly at all
- 33. "The size of the pool is fine. It is only crowded on weekends and holidays. If the residents in the west part of the city want a new pool then bond that half and build out there with the mosquitoes.

Also, suggestions to put recycling here is just uninformed. There is recycling at the school less than 200 feet away."

- 34. Lagoon trail. Email them about the growth.
- 35. The city is not responsible for people's fitness desires. Yield a gym in your home or pay for a membership. Bountiful is not adequate considering the millions it cost. Take care of yourself

- 36. Agreed. Do not add more pickleball courts. It's is fun and we use what is there. It if people want to play and are serious they should pay for a membership to a club and not expect others to fund their hobby.
- 37. Splash pad in a desert is stupid. If you want a splash pad install one at your home or pay to use the one at the pool. The other citizens should not be funding your kids play time.
- 38. Do not install more garbage cans. People should just clean up after themselves.
- 39. I second that parking will be a big issue during the summer months if the pool is expanded. At times there are baseball games going on and they use the park/pool parking lot. Parking could possibly spread onto residential streets. Lighting at night is also lacking around the playground/stone wall area.
- 40. I've known this park for over a decade now and the only things that need fixing are the picnic tables, bridges, and benches. Please please please do not add anything else that would detract from the natural beauty of the woods, leave it be. If you want play things, go to a sporting store and get your own.
- 41. For a park called Woodland, Farmington has really made an effort to remote the feel of the namesake. I understand clearing out hazardous foliage and debris, but clearing foliage has ruined the aesthetic. If anything Farmington needs to restore more of the natural aesthetic and feel about it rather than continue to clear it out. Although I do agree about repairing the picnic tables and whatever else needs repair.
- 42. I used to play basketball at this park all the time, but there are never nets on the hoops anymore. I don't know why, but basketball just isn't the same without a net.
- 43. There is a sign/plaque standing free on a pole behind the bathrooms indicating the name of the park. It has extremely sharp corners and is at just the right height for a kid to get hit. Just move the plaque onto

the bathroom building or a pillar of the pavilion so no little kids run into it.

44. The parking lot is a mess during peak soccer season. One of the main problems is that people park in the travel lanes along the curbing rather than in stalls, which causes major traffic blockages and only lets traffic flow in one direction while people are both leaving and coming. (See the white SUV in the attached photo). A simple fix is to just paint the curbing red along the travel lanes within the parking lot.

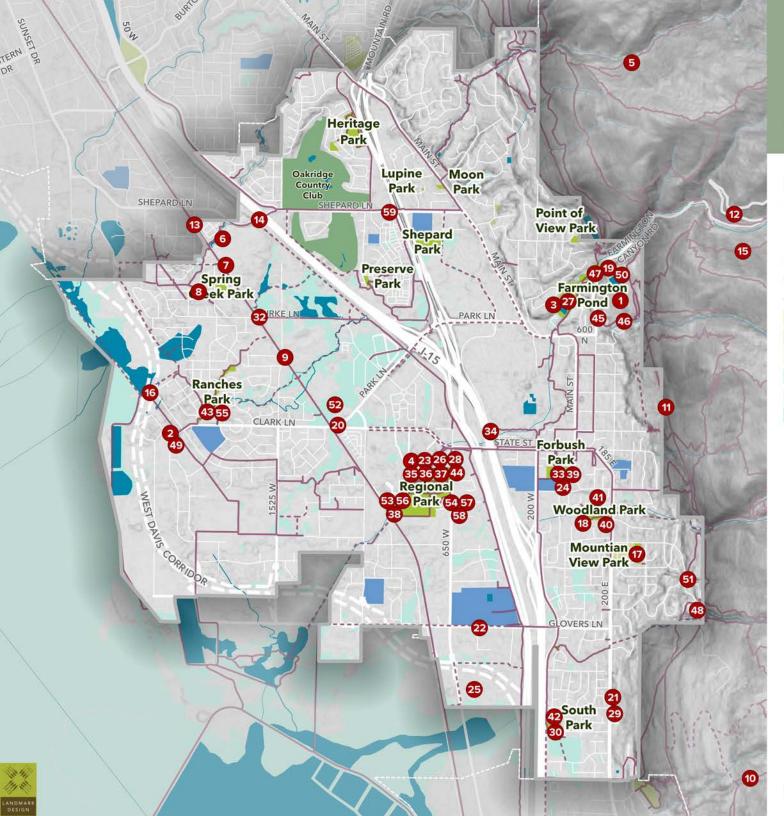


- 45. Is this a trail head? there is no icon on the map. It is very small, and the equestrian people have been told to use this for access to the Old McDonald trail. Too small for horse rigs and all the other vehicles.
- 46. I have been told that this trail replaces the BST trail coming from the Farmington Pond parking TH for horse access to the foothills South of Farmington canyon. The old BST trail was swallowed up in the new bike park. To use this trail from a reasonable parking spot horse people, park in the Farmington Pond parking and ride up the road to Farmington canyon road, ride on the road down to the small parking and TH for Old McDonald trail. Very unsafe!

- 47. Over the past few years of tremendous population growth, the open area access to the foothills has greatly diminished. This has increased the need to use trail heads to park trucks and trailers in order to ride horses. Same as for all users. Increase of users especially with a nice new biker facility means congestion and problems. Could this parking area be enlarged to the west? Or maybe to help with the load on the neighborhoods from the increase traffic there needs to be user limitations.??
- 48. I see a Trail Head sign on the chain link fence East side of the reservoir. but no TH icon on this map. Is it a trail head? if so for what kind of users? Where can one hike or ride without trespassing?
- 49. Is this a private or city trail head? Will the Buffalo trail remain a true multi use trail or will horses be not allowed in the new master plan like what happened on the DNR trail.
- 50. What area are you referring to that charges a fee for use of their bike park?
- 51. This hillside access trail is not part of the Farmington trail system. It is private property but the owner has verbally 'okayed' hike, bike, and horse access on this section of the hill to access the BST.
- 52. too munch pickle ball lets put some more stuf for kids
- 54. pickle ball is great and needed and there needs to be a space for this but not consuming - We need to factor in the kids, youth, teens like a skatepark / snake hollow type bike park etc...
- 55. would kids like pickle ball my sisters cry at that game, put more kids stuff in
- 56. The entrance to the gym/park parking lot is too narrow for the amount of traffic going through it. Cars entering the parking lot here have to slow down to a crawl if there is a car leaving the parking lot in the left

turn lane. There should be more room for cars to turn into the parking lot off 650 W.

- 57. The entrance to the gym/park parking lot is too narrow for the amount of traffic going through it. Cars entering the parking lot here have to slow down to a crawl if there is a car leaving the parking lot in the left turn lane. There should be more room for cars to turn into the parking lot off 650 W.
- 58. The gym has one major design flaw that hopefully can be remedied: the flow of foot traffic to get to most of the courts (the east courts and south courts) requires people to walk on or very near the courts of games in progress. There should be some kind of hallway or concourse behind the stands so people can get to games without interrupting other games.
- 59. Walking from this center section of Farmington to Knowlton, the Smith's shopping center, and tennis courts (no tennis courts at parks in center section between 15 & amp; 89) is not safe. Right now, the walk light turns on when lights are green for parallel, right, and left turning traffic. It's not safe at all. I've almost been hit, and almost hit others here. Vehicles can wait. Give children and adults a turn to walk without any vehicles going on green or turning. Use 'no right on red' signs.



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#### Social Pinpoint Results: "I have a Concern"



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# **"IDEAS & SUGGESTIONS"**

- 1. It would be awesome to expand the arts building to a useable size. So we can do bigger plays, more classes, and use the building fully.
- 2. Actual pedestrian walkway here, would be wonderful
- 3. Farmington needs an indoor swimming complex and bigger city exercise facility.
- 4. Farmington City needs a Dog park now that the one at the Fair Grounds has been closed.
- 5. We need to keep this park here for the kids at the school and neighborhood.
- 6. And a bike lane!
- 8. Let's make the dog park idea a multi use natural area with trails and water where dogs can go off leash. I'm picturing something like Tanner Dog Park/Parleys Nature Preserve in SLC or for something smaller, Matheson Nature Park in SLC. Not just a fenced in acre for dogs to run around, but where people can also get exercise and a natural experience.
- 9. This park needs updates to it's picnic benches, fire pits, outdoor amphitheater, and sand volleyball.
- 10. We cannot attend the meeting but we have a whole team ready to create an experience for all Farmington Residents.



- 11. Please add a pickleball court to the Ranches Park. It would be highly used.
- 12. This is the most under-utilized part of the park, yet still close to the parking lot. I think it would be a great location for additional pickleball courts because lights wouldn't disrupt anything near it, and it is close to the other courts with a pavilion in between the sets of courts for use during tournaments.
- The underpass on this trail would be a great spot for some public art (ideally with some anti-graffiti coating)
- 14. A Skate park would be a great addition to this new park.
- 15. I know it isn't Farmington City property, but more and better multiuse trails would be great above the Fire Break road. Designate them to be used by Horses on days "X", used for hiking on days "Y", and Biking on days "Z". I love what Draper, Herriman, Eagle Mountain, Richfield, St. George, and other Municipalities have done and are doing. There is an amazing mountain in our backyard that is under utilized.
- 16. Recycling dumpsters for cardboard and glass would be helpful
- 17. Please either bring childcare back or change the policy on kids 7 and under not being able to sit on the bleachers during fitness classes. My

5 year old who never caused a problem while sitting on the bleachers won't fit/sit in a stroller and now I can't attend my favorite classes at the gym.

- 18. Splash pad is greatly needed in Farmington.
- 19. Outdoor surface indoors. Fitness classes their own room.
- 20. Indoor pool facilities. Larger outdoor pool. Fitness class room with mirrors. More parking. Splash pad. Tennis courts.
- 21. This park needs some attention. Trails have been over used and needs re-vegetation. Redesign of amphitheater and some new activities like horseshoes pits, bocce ball, etc.
- 22. Finish trail connection up to Set Court.
- 23. This is a great park but is deserted in the summer when the heat sets in. It would be great to have a slash pad. A few pickleball courts would be great!
- 24. Additional pickleball courts are needed in this area.
- 25. Farmington pond needs some re-vegetation. Some more benches would be nice.
- 26. Horse shoe pits or bocce ball would be some fun activities to add to this park.
- 27. I'd like more pickleball courts in an area where we don't have to deal with aerobic class music. It's so loud we can't hear each other
- 28. The trail crossing at Shepard Creek Here could use improvement. Better Bridge and improve the trail on the south side of the canyon.
- 29. This trail has a lot of loose rock and is very steep. Trail could be reworked with better switchbacks and more defined connections to the lower trails.
- 30. Need better signage and enforcement of target shooters off this area of the road.

- This section needs work. Narrow and steep access through tight trees. Trail could use a reroute or trim the vegetation to widen the trail.
- 32. Trail here is eroding and the railroad ties placed are beginning to fail. Lots of loose gravel on the section from the road to the first railroad tie. Needs some attention and erosion control.
- 33. Both sections (upper and lower) contain a lot of rock and gravel difficult for biking and trail running. Signage and cleanup and erosion control are needed.
- 34. This section of trail to the grotto is terrible. Eroding down the steep incline through the trees and very steep and dangerous for younger hikers. Should consider a reroute of the trail to go further up the canyon and then switchback west to come up and over the ridgeline avoiding the steep west face in the trees.
- 35. This pond is a great asset to the city, but could be better maintained. Maybe some improvements like a developed beach (like Blackridge Reservoir in Herriman) would really improve this. Also, water quality is rough with all the ducks.
- 36. This trailhead would be nice to have maybe a small pavilion or some picnic tables with covers. Really anything but the weeds and random stuff there. Maybe some trees. Some kids have made a bike route on it...which is at least using it for something (although some tools and a tarp were left behind).
- 37. When this area is developed, a proposed park would be great. Better to get it in the planning before development goes wild.
- 38. Grade in a big hill for sledding if possible. Kids use the edge of the drainage basin, but it is kind of short. Maybe if not this park along the Haight creek trailhead to the south (already on a slope).
- 39. Add bike lane overpass that is family friendly to connect to old RR bike trails

- 40. East farmington doesn't really have a nice park with new equipment for kids to play on. I would like to see a park similar to the new Rec complex park somewhere in east Farmington for kids to enjoy.
- 41. Would love to see updates to playground maybe not here but somewhere in east Farmington. Get tired of driving across the freeway for a decent park.
- 42. We need 8 outdoor surfaces indoors to accommodate the growth of pickleball. No other sport is growing as fast or creates as much revenue.
- 43. Pickleball court or two would be nice here. I like the idea of horseshoe pit.
- 44. There is a trail on the west side, which is great, but there is also a sidewalk on the east side, but the problem is that the sidewalk ends, then starts, then ends again, so anyone unfortunate enough to not know that it ends will be forced to back track half a mile, or jay-walk across the road. I'd like to see the sidewalk extended south to glovers lane.
- 45. We NEED a lap pool AND a designated area for workout classes. I love the classes but the music is so loud and I feel like I'm in a fish bowl with everyone watching. A designated space for classes would 1. Free up space for more pickle ball 2. Allow for those walking/exercising in other parts of the gym to hear themselves or others 3.allow all the equipment to be stored all together where it can't be messed with and 4. allow those who may feel self conscious to come and participate in classes.
- 46. We need outdoor surface pickleball courts indoors! Creates more space for other sports, safer for the pickleball players, and will accommodate the growth we have had in that area. We also need a separate room for the fitness classes so they can have the music as loud as they want.
- 47. Indoor pickleball courts.

- 48. Pickleball courts here would be awesome!
- 49. Freeway crossing for pedestrians seems better served on the north side of Park Lane. Most residents West of Main Street that would use this live on the North side of Park Lane. Users coming from East of Main Street would be impacted little by it being on the north side.
- 50. It would be nice to have another campground somewhere to replace the one taken out here. Probably need to coordinate with USFS, but many nearby forest campgrounds are crowded and more is needed. Maybe either near the base of the canyon or up closer to bountiful campground
- 51. These fields are heavily used for football, soccer, and other team practicies. It would be really nice to be able to use the soccer goals for practices. Also, lighting would extend the ability to use the fields later into the evening...the baseball lights are used very little, so we could repurpose those.
- 52. Extending bike lane here will allow to complete a nice local loop between the rail trail and legacy trail in Farmington
- 53. If the City is considering a larger swimming pool to accommodate Farmington's growth, I would suggest that it be built elsewhere, but keeping this pool to serve the needs of the population on the east side. Expansion of the pool at this location might not be wise due to lack of parking on hot summer days.
- 54. I agree with the suggestion to extent the trail to set court. There is an agreement with the Oakridge Country Club that requires them to provide right of way through the golf course to make this happen. The City assisted with the cost of the decorative fence along Shepard Lane in exchange for them permitting right of way access for the trail extension. That agreement should not be forgotten.
- 55. The gravel on the steep parts of the path rolls under the foot creating slippage and potential falls. A different type of traction needs to be considered.

- 56. Racquetball courts. Just one or two could fill the gap between Layton and Bountiful. They make good rooms for yoga, dance, etc even spin if built with that in mind.
- 57. Even with the stop light it seems like a dangerous crosswalk. Could this crossing happen under the overpass? Either as it is now or if UDOT reconfigured it? That trail could connect to the Lagoon trail to the north and also continue south down the frontage road behind the Jr. High and connect with the trail from Glover lane near the freeway interchange.
- 58. An asphalt trail here to connect from the roundabout to the rail trail. It's a fairly short gap and on county property. Should be part of the fairgrounds renovation. Not a safe way to make that connection currently. Could extend down 1100 W to connect to South Davis Corridor.
- 59. We have a membership at South Davis Rec Center over Farmington (where we live) for one major reason. All year indoor swimming including lazy river and water slides to go with the general pool area. Indoor spray park, diving, obstacle course are also appreciated. We also use the ice rink, but this isn't as critical. They also have fantastic locker rooms with changing areas, suit water drains, and plenty of showers. This is the model for how to do a community pool. We even have visitors come here.
- 60. "Covid's an also ran now. Fun exercise was the number 1 medicine to avoid covid.

It will likely remain number 1.

Pickleball is probably the fasted growing enticement for people to exercise. Pre covid, Pickleball grew at a rate of 600% per year. At times the outdoor courts were full and paddles filled every slot in the waiting-line racks AND there were paddles lined up on the ground. Three times the number of people waiting as there were courts available.

Good luck building enough!"

- 61. Would like outdoor surface Pickleball courts indoors as part of the Gym Expansion. These could be used for youth tennis as well. Give volleyball and basketball players back the courts on the North side. Fitness room dedicated for our large fitness classes with an attached child care. Larger equipment area with weights.
- 62. Restrooms do not exist here and it's AWFUL. Please add some so kids can continue to play.
- 63. Some shade flags over playground equipment would be helpful. It's really hot in the summer.
- 64. We really need an indoor pool! Is there any plans to build onto the rec center?
- 65. The FARM trails are great for adults and teenage bikers. It would be great to have a more "all levels" pump track somewhere in the city particularly for younger kids (something more legitimate than the bike park at the ranches subdivision, though that is a good start)
- 66. The trails on the North side of the canyon are terribly constructed and too steep and gravelly. They need to be reconstructed with more manageable grades for bikes and better switchbacks.
- 67. A permanent pickleball net? A playground upgrade as well perhaps?
- 68. A splash pad would be so amazing.
- 69. Why is there no dog park anymore??? There are lots of dog owners in Farmington.
- 70. The city needs to work with the county and Davis school district to build an indoor pool. Seriously ridiculous that we build this gymnasium with no pool for the local high school. The high school needs a place to practice and farmington citizens deserve an indoor pool.
- 71. I would love it if the playground could be updated and include more shaded areas.

- 72. Spray for dandelions each spring. Lots of weeds in the grass.
- 73. We really need an indoor pool and an actual gym like the south Davis rec center. With free weights, more machines and squat racks. Our only option is the very expensive Lift gym or we have to drive to Kaysville or Bountiful.
- 74. We really need a garbage can right here. Picking up dog poop and carrying it over a quarter mile is a pain. It would keep the trails cleaner. There's a whole building with inmates who could be used to work out doors and empty them.
- 75. More garbage cans need to be placed along this trail. For dog poop and other trash. There's a whole building full of inmates that would probably love to get outside get some exercise and get them emptied.
- 76. I'm currently driving three days a week to south Bountiful for good lifting equipment and machines, that are also affordable, it would be amazing to have that available in our city.
- 77. "This park needs benches near the playground.

Shade over the slides would also make the playground more useful year round."

- 78. Please put in lots of pickle ball courts, large grass area to fly kites, drones and for sports, a running trail around the whole park, lots of shade trees, and benches to sit on. Splash pad would be amazing, and a fun playground. Would be fun to have a hillside somewhere for sledding too. A covered pavilion would also be so nice and restrooms.
- 79. Add a year round pool, locker rooms with showers for the gym. Bigger facility like the SDRC for our community.
- 80. Love the thought of indoor swimming lanes. My daughter at FHS would love to be on the swim team but to drive to bountiful for practice not only is a hazard but wastes 40 min of swim time for locals. Could the HS have access times etc and public times as well ... indoor

swimming would be awesome ... also my mind is spinning w ideas want to be apart of the planning

- 81. My son loves biking and loves snake hollow in St George utah would love to copy those bike trails
- 82. I've always thought this flat area up here would make a great spot for a small bowery with a picnic table, the views are awesome. We often go up here with our kids for picnics in the summer.
- 83. If there was a decent weight room, we would 100% get a family membership. The only thing that's holding us back is the lack of weights. So we go to a gym and occasionally go to the rec center. We've both said, if only they had some decent weights we would just go here.
- 84. Park is fine. It's woodland. Should be wood lands. Not really a need to waste money.
- 85. The city paying for garbage cans is silly. Lagoon wins the trails and maintains it. How about people pack their own garbage out?
- 86. Close this and make people go around. Blocking traffic on a bridge for a few left turners is dumb.
- 87. In case people can't read, the dog park was on county property. They closed it.
- 88. Why isn't the sidewalk complete right here? There are so many pedestrians using this corner to access the legacy and rail trails and they have to walk in the street because the sidewalk is not complete here
- 89. Upgrade the pool! The splash pad area is not used at all. Make that into a pool with dedicated lap lanes. Lap swimmers and swim teams in the area do not have enough lanes to meet the demand (sdrc, surf and swim, and Vasa are all very busy). If we could have a year a round use pool that would be great as well) Regarding the parking concern even on the most busy summer days there is parking near the school.... You just have to walk some. But it is doable.

- 90. Is it possible to add a bathroom? Sometimes tennis has been cut short because of a bathroom need.
- 91. I'm all for indoor pickleball courts on the gym expansion as long as one court is big enough for tennis. Would be great to have for backup for recreation lessons and also for private play. There aren't any reasonably priced indoor tennis facilities in Davis County.
- 92. Bring back child care to the gym! Many parents use our gym and it is frustrating to be told children up to age 7 have to sit in a stroller! It's not developmentally appropriate to expect young children to sit that long. As a result parents are forced to either abandon exercising or give their kid electronics the whole time, and there is a huge body of research showing that screens for young children should be avoided. Childcare at other gyms is nearly universal. Please support families!
- 93. When planning our gymnasium enhancements, please include additional pickle ball, courts, and pickle ball leagues/clinics/classes. Often it's difficult to find a court or a league with vacancies.
- 94. This park is lovely! I think it would be wonderful if there were real bridges over the streams in the lower and upper parts of the park that were ADA usable. I agree it could use some replanting in many places. And new safe tables in the picnic areas would be very nice. I enjoy that this park isn't like other more child focused parks with playgrounds etc... It's nice to have a beautiful safe walking park. The Pavilion could use some new light bulbs. Please keep it woodsy. Thank you!
- 95. As much as we would like everyone to pick up after their dogs it's not happening all the time. Perhaps if we added doggie bag/ trash can stations on all trails it would help encourage dog owners to pick up after their pets.
- 96. I love this park for its namesake! The woods and trails keep me coming back. Some of the park's features could use maintenance, such as the picnic tables that are falling apart. I wouldn't take out any more trees though or add anything that would detract from the woods-like feel of the park. There are a number of other parks in Farmington for those that are looking for sports equipment.

- 97. We really need a fitness center at the Rec Center! More free weights would be great too!
- 98. Group fitness rooms are much needed in the Farmington gymnasium
- 99. The south bound 1-15 traffic light needs to be turned into a blinking yellow arrow to allow cart to turn left onto freeway white other lights are stopping traffic. It's so frustrating to sit at that light for over 10 waiting for a green arrow.
- 100. "Indoor outdoor swimming like Provo rec center. It's so fun. We love the farmington pool, but having a more fun option that's indoor outdoor would be fun.

Also an amphitheater that's big enough to host large events with a coveted stage."

- 101. An INDOOR pool is greatly needed with at least 6-8 lanes 25 yards long. Modeling after SDRC would be ideal, but one similar to Clearfield Aquatic Center would be a good compromise. It may be possible to add this to the grassy area north of the Rec Center and combine buildings. Waitlists to get on swim teams in the area are very long and there aren't enough facilities in the area to accommodate those interested/vested in the sport. Davis county Aquatic centers are busy even in the winter months.
- 102. Let's certainly move forward with the Indoor Pickleball courts with the outdoor surface! Fastest growing sport in the country for 2 years now.
- 103. Adding indoor pickleball courts with outdoor surfaces, a swimming pool, and weightlifting room would be an incredible addition to our gymnasium.

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105. It would be awesome to schedule a few food trucks for the busy soccer nights. Our kids usually have games during dinner time; it would be fun and so convenient to just grab a bite to eat at the park during the games. 106. "It might be fun to have a local Farmer's Market and/or kids market somewhere in Farmington, given that we do live in ""Farming"" town. I see tons of kids frequently selling home grown produce. It would be a great way for the community to connect each weekend.

I'm not sure where to host it, but I put the marker here (not cityowned property) because this is a common location where people (usually kids) sell stuff. Maybe at the Ranches Park? Or it could rotate each week to different locations."

- 107. Flashing lights or something to get drivers attention for pedestrians crossing. Major focus of the driver is looking left.
- 108. Open on Sundays and some holidays (not the major ones of course but those like MLK, Presidents Day, Columbus day, Memorial day, Labor day, etc
- 109. Please do what you can to gather 20 + neighbors with loppers, shovels, hoes, picks, rakes, wheelbarrows, machetes and go after it the needed number of times to get it completely cleared. It is a beautiful trail when well groomed. The city P&R would greatly appreciated it.
- 110. Any time you hear or see firearm use at this location, immediately contact the Davis County Sheriff's Department. It is Forest Service property and is a law breaking event when firearms are used there. See kiosk at the intersection of the BST and the Farmington canyon road.
- 111. I would like to see more stationary bikes at the rec center. A bigger weight area would be nice so that more than one person can use the weights and weight benches. Concerning the bike trail please could we leave one gate open. Since my husband and I have been riding on the RAIL TRAIL We have experienced people crashing on their bikes trying to get through the gates because they can't unclip fast enough. Other cities have one gate open. Thanks
- 112. We need a skate park! Like west valley
- 113. A nice skatepark would be a nice addition.

114. "I am interested in a skate park and a interactive food court for curated food trucks that rotate with vegan and health food alternatives

Thanks love farmington"

- 115. Lap lanes would be so great. I swam at BYU's pool prego with my 2nd baby and loved the big indoor facitility and Westminster has one too. Super nice to have and it would give the HS a swim close facility too and get these kids active!
- 116. "want some trail like snake hollowI want kids to be active and not on there phonesi am 12 years old and i want some more trails."



117. "Interested in a skate roller blading and box activities in park setting family friendly

Thanks for your support"

118. Not sure where to leave this comment but LOVE LOVE the thought of a butterfly biosphere (like the one at Thanksgiving point) Oh my word it's beautiful, get's kids, teens, adults in nature & amp; caring for little gentle creatures. I would love a bigger one than Thanksgiving point w/ a domed party room in the middle etc for a private event, party etc. It feels like you are in costa rica and a much needed lift especially in the winter months

- 119. I went to Thanksgiving point and went to a butterfly conservatory my favorite part was when a butterfly went on my pants and it was cool. I feel like everybody should have that chance in their life.
- 120. Group Fitness rooms, Machine room (treadmills and eliptical) and a free weight room (TRX machine, weighted balls, kettle bells, green turf and black pads)



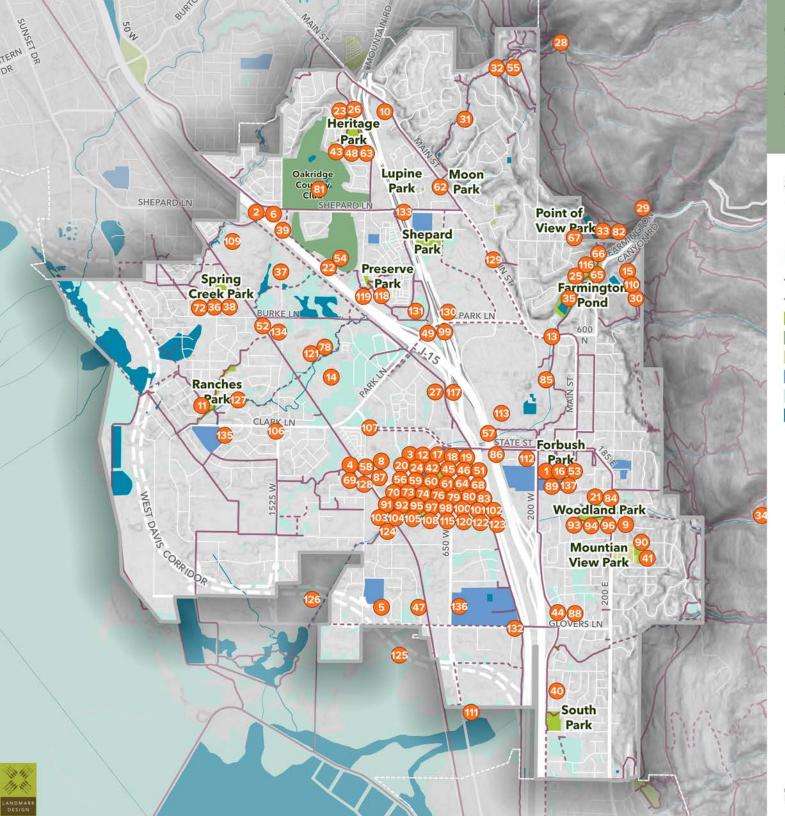
- 121. At the new regional park, let's include a large play structure that is geared for small children. I'm thinking something like the large "castle" at the Nichols park in Kaysville or the all abilities park in St. George (Thunder Junction).
- 122. It seems the most apparent needs at the gym are more weightlifting and cardio equipment, and dedicated space for group exercise classes (including cycling). An indoor swimming pool would be great, but I understand this is more expensive than other amenities.
- 123. We need more tall trees to provide shade for the playground in the hot summer afternoons.

- 124. It would be great to have a drop-off/pick-up zone in front of the gym right off 650 W. This would help alleviate a lot of traffic flow through the parking lot here.
- 125. Farmington should annex this property so the city will have exclusive ownership of property surrounding the WDC. I trust the city more than the county should UDOT ever decide they want off-ramps/onrams along this stretch.
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- 127. It looks like there is open space to connect this path to the park.
- 128. There should be a short pavement extension here somewhere for pedestrian/bike access to the fairgrounds. There are always people in the road.
- 129. Please put in a bike lanes on main roads, but particularly please urge UDOT to build them on Main Street from Kaysville to Bountiful. Being able to bike along Main would give bikers access to commercial and health facilities along Main. I want it to be safe enough for me to bike with my children in tow to run my errands. Especially for my future middle and high schoolers to bike from home to their schools and the Farmington gym. It would be useful exercise and cut down on emissions.
- 130. Please place a tunnel running under Park Lane running through the hill supporting the i-15/89 off ramp. This would be safer and more accessible than a pedestrian bridge across Park Lane. It would be flatter/more level and reduce the risk of injury/fatality from potential automobile/pedestrian accidents. Park Lane is renders pedestrians particularly vulnerable due to many lights and convening lanes that may confuse drivers. Plus it would provide shade.
- 131. Please protect the marsh trails north of Park Lane and west of 89 east of 15 south of Shepherd from development.

- 132. Walking must be safe. Change Farmington's traffic lights to have all-way stops for vehicles accompanied by 'no turn on red' signs fixed to the traffic poles. It's okay if vehicles wait one more turn for pedestrian crossings. Prioritizing pedestrian's right of way protects everyone. Apply the principle of induced demand to create the safest and most pedestrian friendly conditions possible on all Farmington's streets, roads, and bridges. Build it and the air will clear. Plus, it's useful exercise.
- 133. Walking is a human right and a human need. Many people would walk or bike to work, school, health appointments, and stores if the infrastructure and planning of the city made it safe enough. Without sidewalks, bike lanes, and pedestrian only turns at traffic lights, it will never be safe enough to walk, run, and bike. Please please please make these changes.
- 134. Public Library branch on West side of Farmington, along the Denver Rio grande RR trail.
- 135. East side has a pool; give West side a splash pad. Water from the splash pad can be recycled to water the surrounding grass park, similar to how Eisenhower park in Connecticut recycles splash pad water for the golf course.
- 136. The high school parking lot is so crowded that a lot patrol has to be hired and employed to give out parking tickets. To high schoolers. Make every street absolutely safe for our kids to bike to school by installing bike lanes on as many roads as possible. It will cut down on bus demand and lot patrol, benefiting everyone with cleaner air and high school students with useful exercise, less stress about parking, less stress for parents who drop off. Kids can bike to school if it's safe to do so.
- 137. This is regarding the possible expansion of the existing swimming pool. We have been coming to the existing pool for over 30 years. Lots of fun memories made here. My suggestion would be to definitely KEEP the beach front as this is a huge attraction for the littles as well as the moms who like to sun bath. Please extend this space to double

the length as it seems to get the most congested because it's the most loved by all age levels. A seating area in the deep end would be great as well.

138. "This is for the NEW PARK. I am hoping that you could build an ALL ABILITIES PARK that is like the one in St George Utah. I have a child that has disabilities and it has been a sought out destination for our whole family. I am sure that it would be a MAIN ATTRACTION here in Northern Utah as well as there are lots of children. You can find this park by searching for THUNDER JUNCTION ALL ABILITIES PARK 1851 S DIXIE DR. ST GEORGE UTAH 84770 435 627 4575 / https://www.sgcity.org"

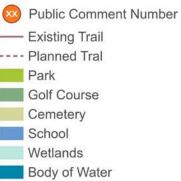


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#### Social Pinpoint Results: "Ideas or Suggestions"



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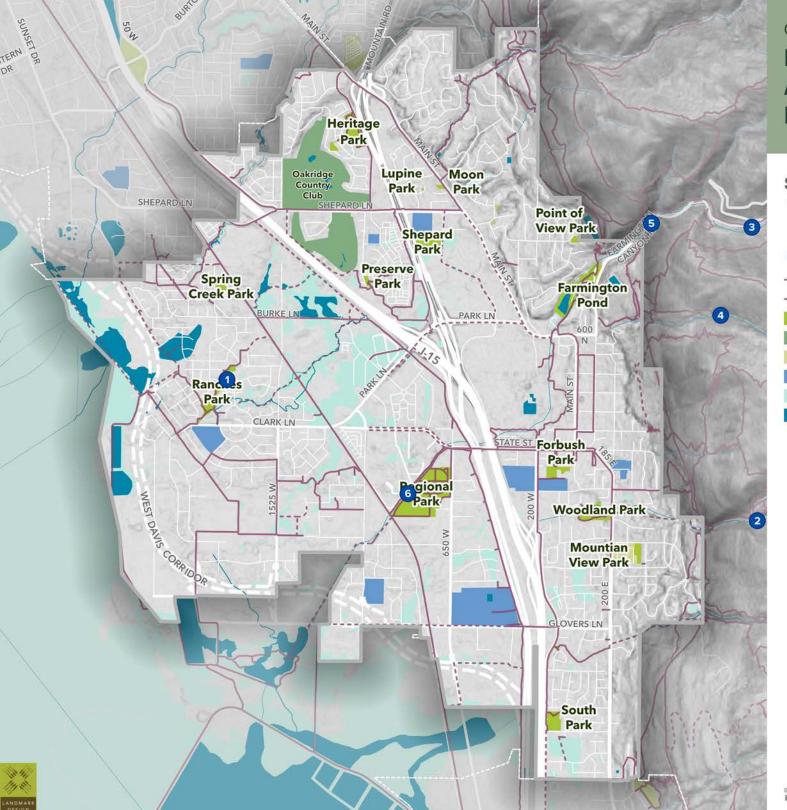
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# **"NEW TRAIL CONNECTION"**

- It would be nice to add a connection through this segment of the area here to connect with the existing trail. The other connection if 0.5 miles away.
- 2. Suggested reroute of grotto trail to avoid steep eroding trail that exists in this section.
- 3. Would love to see the Farmington Creek trail extend further up the canyon past the waterfall on the northside. A wider trail to accomodate mt. bikes would be ideal.
- 4. It would be nice if this trail connected to another somehow. I realize the grades are difficult, but hey, this is a Farmington trail so steepness should be expected. Not a bad trail (although I recall lots of grass seeds in my socks), but just seemed to end too soon.
- 5. Need a trail connection from the upper parking lot in farmington canyon over to the shoreline trail on the north side of the canyon near the same elevation. This would make for better continuity of the shoreline trail north and south through the canyon
- 6. "Your idea is already part of the master plan for the contiguous North to South Davis County BST (Bonneville Shoreline Trail). If you have considerable funding to contribute to your idea, it will happen much sooner rather than much later. See the following link: https://www.ksl.com/article/50538507/plan-to-expand-utahs-

bonneville-shoreline-trail-moves-forward"

7. Make a bridge over the creek to connect the Legacy Events Center parking lots to the west side of the regional park (softball fields and soccer fields). There is a connection farther south, but this connection would allow use of the parking lots at Legacy Events Center, especially for soccer games that are located at the west end of the park.



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# **PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING**

### DECEMBER 5, 2022, 6:00 PM, FARMINGTON CITY HALL, 29 PARTICIPANTS SIGNED-IN

# SUMMARY

## PARKS

#### General Comments on Parks:

- Focus on high-use facilities
- More large parks, less small ones
- Highly amenitize new parks
- Parks should be multipurpose (not just open fields)
  - Like Centennial Park in South Jordan or Layton Park

#### Improvements to Existing Parks:

- Woodland Park
  - Convert Amphitheater into a concert venue
- Practice water conservation, including waterwise landscaping and grass only in active areas
- Farmington's parks are too similar need variety
- Consider decommissioning underutilized parks

#### **Desired Park Facilities:**

Shade Trees

- Pickleball Courts
- Synthetic Fields (for soccer, lacrosse, football, etc.)
  - □ Can reduce maintenance and water use
- Splash Pad
- Skate Park
  - Needs to be well-designed with a good variety of equipment for various ages abilities
- Dog Parks
  - Off-leash dog areas
- All-abilities Park
  - Similar to St George's

#### **Desired Events:**

- Farmers/Food Markets
- Music in the park
- Triathlon
- Outdoor Concerts
- Expanded Farmington Festival Days
- Generally more events/programing is desired

#### Vision for New Business Park:

- Outdoor basketball,
- Grass for Flag Football
- All-Abilities Facilities
- Hammock Park
- Horseshoe Pits
- Splash Pad
- Pickleball courts
  - Tournament facility with lots of courts. Could bring in revenue
- Outdoor Music Venue/Amphitheater (like Layton or Sun Valley's)
- Outdoor Basketball Court
- Bike Park
- A Destination Park
  - □ Interactive like Bountiful Town Square but better. Too many amenities for too small of space

### RECREATION

#### **Gym Expansion Desires:**

- Full-size Indoor Fields
- Indoor swimming pool
  - A pool is needed the High School swim teams. A private gym will likely accommodate (almost finalized)

Dedicated space for fitness classes

#### **Recreation Programs:**

- There is a shortage of referees
  - Referees are not needed for sports with young children
  - Require each team to provide a referee

#### Pool:

- Lap-lanes are desired
  - Differing options on where to put the lanes (at gym or with rec pool)
  - Multi-use recreation pool better accommodates residents. Lanes only serve specific people
- The existing rec. pool needs to be expanded
  - Existing pool is too small for demand/population
  - Need facilities for all ages and abilities
  - Splash pad near pool works well for the less-abled

#### Pickleball:

- More pickleball courts (indoor and outdoor)
  - Existing courts are heavily used and often full
  - Desired specifically at Ranches Park
- Issues with the current indoor courts sharing space with the group fitness classes.
  - Music is loud and disturbs game-play

### ARTS

More Visual Art throughout the City

A separate space is needed

- Should include a wide-variety and interactive
- Murals
- Public Art Play Equipment
- Disappointed the City opted out of the CenterPoint Theater
  - CenterPoint is heavily used by Farmington residents
  - Now is a great opportunity to re-engage with the theater
  - □ There is no need for separate theater would be a waste of resources would be better to invest in CenterPoint

- Better weed control/maintenance
- Art along trails
- Signage (wayfinding, interpretive, and regulatory)
- A system of foothill trails
  - Similar to Corner Canyon/Eagle Mountain/Park City
- More user-specific trails (for mountain biking, hiking, equestrian, etc.)
  - There are conflicts between bikes, equestrians, and hikers
- Particularly with the High School Mountain Bike Team
- Need trail etiquette education and improved signage
  - Existing trails do no accommodate everyone
  - Ensure trail design meets user's needs (particularly for equestrians)
  - $\hfill\square$  User-specific trails are need on both east and west sides

### TRAILS

#### General Comments on Trails:

- Farmington has great trails
- More trail education
- Work with the Ranches and other HOAs on trail alignments and amenities

#### **Desired Trail Improvements:**

- More connectivity between trails
- More access to water/streams

#### Maintenance Issues with Trails:

- Proactive maintenance is needed
  - A trail subcommittee should be formed
  - Work with High School Bike Team to help address some maintenance needs
- Weed Control is needed
  - Dyer's Woad/Goat heads/Puncher Vine is an issue on trails

- There needs to be an employee who is dedicated to puncher vine control
- Trail maintenance could be addressed through volunteers/non-profits

### **GENERAL**

- More trails and parks are needed on the west side of Farmington
  - Conservation easement funds from UDOT could be used for westside recreation
- Farmington Gym bond will be paid off in 2 years
- Keep the Farm in Farmington
- Funding is a concern
  - Resources should be prioritized
- Concern getting responses to the community survey via email