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Sent: Thursday, August 25, 2022 11:40 AM
To: George Cui
Subject: RE: Robinwood small dogs off-leash area with big dogs

George,

We appreciate you reaching out with your question related to the off-leash dog areas at Robinswood Park. Bellevue Parks & Community Services has designated off-leash areas based on the temperament of the dog, rather than the size of the dog. We have an area designated for “timid and shy” dogs that is separated from the area for all dogs. We have taken this approach in recognition that size alone does not predispose a dog to being timid and shy.

Thank you again for reaching out and please let us know if you have any further questions.

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Dear Parks & Community Services Board members,

My name is George Cui and I have lived in Bellevue for 15+ years and absolutely love this city. We have a small dog Emma and we go to the Robinwood park dog off-leash area a lot, There are 2 areas, one for big dogs and one for small ones.

However, for quite a few times, we had to leave because people bring in big dogs to the small dog area, even though there is a dedicated one for big dogs close by. Our little dog is often scared and not enjoy playing there. Those big dogs are many times of ours in size/weight and those owner may think it is OK because their dogs are pretty nice.

I don't want to confront the big dog owners, but I am wondering if the city can put a visible sign at the area entrance clearly saying **the area is for dog under xxx (35?) pounds**. Otherwise,

what's point to have 2 dog off-leash areas. I have seen other cities have sign with a weight limit for small dog area.

Best Regards

-George