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Subject: RE: Parks Plan Update & Capital Planning ZOOM in October

Dear Dwight and Mary,

Thank you for your feedback regarding the park system and for advocating for Ashwood Park. I'm also glad to see that you received notice of the Parks and Open Space System Plan Update through some of our outreach. You can follow the status of the Parks Plan at this <u>website</u>. Your responses will be passed forward and also taken down as comment related to the Parks and Open Space System Plan Update.

Thanks again for taking the time to write and have a great weekend.

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Dear Ryan Walker & Parks Department Leaders, Some inputs for consideration.

Please pass them along to Director Michael Shiosaki and staff. Thank you.

RE: Following questions can help prompt ideas.

- #1 What do you like about Bellevue's parks, trails and open spaces? Are there any improvements that could be made?
- #2 How can we provide safer and expanded access to parks and trails? What can be done to ensure all populations in Bellevue benefit from our parks system?
- #3 -To share ideas or for more information, contact parks planner Ryan Walker

Item #1 - We definitely like how some of our Parks are maintained and are user friendly. Our favorite is Clyde Hill Beach Park which is heavily used by people from

across King County. But it's several miles drive from our home and we want to be able to use Ashwood Park which a pathetic run-down useless piece of grass.

Recommend: Complete the <u>ASHWOOD DOWNTOWN PARK PLAN</u>. Nothing is happening because there is NO PLAN for over 25 years now. Move forward now.

Item #2 - Safer and expanded access to Parks can only be accomplished if priority is given to the most neglected, unsafe and poorly maintained Parks such as Downtown Ashwood Park. Install some seating/benches, walking paths and make it useable and accessible for the children, elderly and handicapped; and not just an unsafe, unhealthy, unsanitary place for dogs to poop.

Item #3 - Sharing of Ideas. This can only be done if the Ashwood Park Master Plan is given top priority to complete so capital can be allocated to make it useful and accessible for hundreds of Downtown residents, children, elderly and others living and working within a 3 blocks radius.

Thank you.

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