

# South Anchorage Sports Park

## Development Options

The following table summarizes public preferences for development priorities at the South Anchorage Sports Park. Priorities are based on feedback gathered during a Public Meeting on October 27th, 2015 in which participants were asked to list their top 3 priorities.

Playground	Picnic Shelter	Trails	Open Play Field	Bike Park	Off-leash Area	Parking	Ballfields	Paintball	RC Park	Water Feature	Landscaping/ Beautification	Lighting	Amenities	Other
3				4		1						2		
3	4				1		5					2		
2		3			1							3		
					x						x	x	x	
				1	4			2	3					
						3	1							field maintenance
		2		3	1					x				
		3		1										cyclocross course
		2		1						3				
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		2		1										cyclocross course
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				x	x							x		
2		x		1							3	x	x	
		1		2										
6	3	16	2	22	11	5	3	1	4	7	3	10	5	Totals

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Trails
Are trails multi-use?
Trails - cyclocross + winter + running + multi-use
linked trails for running/dirt trails for biking all around the park perimeter
A perimeter trail is nice, maybe it can serve as a cross track?
around the park path/trail should be well designed to attract people to use it.
a single track/cyclocross loop around entire park would be amazing an cost effective (all we need is easement + dirt)
winter ski trails would be a nice additional to this park area
Trail connectivity from other areas will increase use and enjoyment for many user groups.
Why not use the antenna farm for additional trails?
Bike Park
the bike park is a great idea! The Bike Community will be the anchorage tenant of this space
A permanent cyclocross course/track circumnavigating the park
Bike park w/ skills area, pump tracks, dirt jumps. Similar to Valmont bike park, with varying levels of skill from beginner to expert. Add a permanent cyclocross course around the perimeter of the park.
I love the bike park concept and the examples from Valmont B.P. in Boulder. With the growth of cycling worldwide, nationally, and more specifically Anchorage, Alaska. I think it is forward thinking at it's finest we've seen the growth in bike events as year round participation. This is encouraging and I support this strongly.
skills features in the bike park, in addition to a pump track
Cycling sports and demand for more areas to participate in cycling sports are on the rise in Anchorage. Providing areas for these activities will harness a growing user group.
make sure the bike park is big enough to function, include a pump track/skills center - say \$50K for pump track and \$350K for skills center
bike park should have a "skills park" with "freeride" features and not just a pump track, which gets kin of "old" quickly if it's the only bike park. It s also nice if the park connects to other city paths or bike paths along Klatt.
RC and Paintball
For RC Park we ideally need 100'X100, space with connex for storage & drivers stand/perch. There was also talk of combining RC Track with Pump Track to have a contractor build both with little guidance.
RC - too close to residential - excess noise
Paintball makes a huge mess in the surrounding area & the port-a -potty is very gross
Paintball proximity to dogs could create issues, dogs getting scared of the noise
RC use doesn't warrant the new size would -> would rather see it as a public space & leave RC where it is
Playground
This will be the only inclusive, accessible park + playground on the south side of town! Thank you!
*swings, slides, those driving toys with the steering wheels, RAMPS! Rings to hang on, "accessibility"
Off-leash Area
keep off leash area simple, natural, and open. This is cheap and very effective.
Dog Parks are always so busy - We need more and the water feature is or will be an asset.
make dog park a priority (first step of development) (just designate a space, put a fenced area with agility)
I don't have a dog but it is important to me to have a place for other people and dogs.
This is a heavily used area as a dog park
A off leash dog area similar to university lake would be great asset. No fence!
Lighting
lighting for winter activities? Ice skating, bike park, running path?
Water Feature
water is ??? purpose in winter
I like the whole package that was presented. The "water feature" is neat, especially for dog park.
water features - stagnant, mosquito breeding, filthy water
water with different and more funding
Ballfields
field turf instead of dirt infields

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Maintenance
use community volunteers to groom skate and classic ski trails throughout the park connecting activity areas and utilizing open areas during winter. In addition plow and hot mop water feature for ice skating. This is critical to keep up winter time use when darkness and lack of other available outdoor activities increase criminal activity.
parks and field maintenance
would other Muni departments (e.g. Street maintenance) be available for dirt/excavation work?
What are the long term maintenance costs of each proposed facility?
Other
This is a great development and so happy to support the development
use volunteers as much as possible for hand finishing work
will there be a year round volunteer caretaker?
It is important to have a facility for non-conventional sports like paintball and remote control. However, a population park is not conducive to remote control airplanes.
See the name for the park to a corporate sponsor. Perhaps, Cabela's or Target (make this a yearly contribution to keep the name) or Starbucks
Try to group specific users together for planning and also construction time
start small w/ several interests, allowing for additional development as the need use increases. This helps with community use and build a s constituency to get ride of the undesirable uses.
corporate sponsorship
I am interested in helping/volunteering in the development of this park
Sell the name to a vendor
I do not want to have a single group to dominate the total budget
I entrust that all concerns will be considered.
In order to have a park be utilized as much as possible adequate parking is needed.
Issues and Concerns
What are potential user conflicts?
Security and vandalism prevention
opening of Tower Road - against because of dumping, drug use area + other illegal activities
Speeding and reckless driving is an issue
As use increases a conflict between current RC plane users will arise because they use the parking lot along the central eastern boundary.
Need for mitigation to keep unauthorized motor use off grass and grounds.
pedestrian access to area along southwest corner - people speed excessively - install pedestrian crossing with lights
Traffic calming on W Klatt is/will be much needed