

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

2036

APPENDIX B

ONLINE PARK SURVEY RESULTS

Balch Springs Park Survey



1. Which age group is most underserved by the current park system?

	Response Percent	Response Count
0 to 5 years	4.2%	1
Elementary age	8.3%	2
Middle school age	4.2%	1
High school age	16.7%	4
Adults	8.3%	2
Seniors	12.5%	3
All age groups	45.8%	11
	answered question	24
	skipped question	0

2. How would you describe the quality and physical condition of EXISTING parks and trails in Balch Springs?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Excellent	0.0%	0
Good	8.3%	2
Fair	41.7%	10
Poor	50.0%	12
	answered question	24
	skipped question	0

3. Within the last year, how often have you and/or your household members visited the following park facilities in Balch Spring?

	At Least Weekly	At Least Monthly	At Least Quarterly	Twice a Year or less	Never	Rating Count
Guy Berry Park: 2300 Sheilah Dr	13.6% (3)	0.0% (0)	4.5% (1)	18.2% (4)	63.6% (14)	22
Boyd Rogers Park: 3816 Forrest Lawn Drive	0.0% (0)	4.5% (1)	0.0% (0)	13.6% (3)	81.8% (18)	22
Oakridge Park: 14121 Spring Oaks Drive	0.0% (0)	0.0% (0)	4.3% (1)	30.4% (7)	65.2% (15)	23
Virgil T Irwin Park: 4364 Shepherd Lane	13.6% (3)	4.5% (1)	13.6% (3)	13.6% (3)	54.5% (12)	22
Woodland Park: 13300 Horseshoe Trail	0.0% (0)	4.3% (1)	13.0% (3)	21.7% (5)	60.9% (14)	23
Walter E. Luedeke Park: 3201 Hickory Tree Road	13.6% (3)	4.5% (1)	4.5% (1)	27.3% (6)	50.0% (11)	22
Community Park/Balch Springs Senior Center: 2919 Balch Springs Road	4.8% (1)	0.0% (0)	4.8% (1)	23.8% (5)	66.7% (14)	21
Library Park: 4300 Pioneer Road	9.1% (2)	4.5% (1)	4.5% (1)	9.1% (2)	72.7% (16)	22
				answe	ered question	23
				skip	ped question	1

4. How important or unimportant are the following athletic facilities for how YOU would use future park and trail improvements?

	Very Important	Important	Unimportant	Very Unimportant	No Opinion	Rating Count
Soccer fields	52.2% (12)	17.4% (4)	8.7% (2)	8.7% (2)	13.0% (3)	23
Softball fields	52.2% (12)	26.1% (6)	4.3% (1)	4.3% (1)	13.0% (3)	23
Baseball fields	56.5% (13)	30.4% (7)	4.3% (1)	4.3% (1)	4.3% (1)	23
Football Fields	47.8% (11)	21.7% (5)	8.7% (2)	13.0% (3)	8.7% (2)	23
Practice Fields	40.9% (9)	31.8% (7)	9.1% (2)	9.1% (2)	9.1% (2)	22
Tennis courts	30.4% (7)	17.4% (4)	26.1% (6)	13.0% (3)	13.0% (3)	23
Volleyball courts	26.1% (6)	17.4% (4)	30.4% (7)	13.0% (3)	13.0% (3)	23
Basketball courts	52.2% (12)	30.4% (7)	4.3% (1)	8.7% (2)	4.3% (1)	23
				answer	ed question	23
				skippe	ed question	1

5. Where would you build a new park and why?

Response Count

19

19	answered question
5	skipped question

6. Where would you locate new trails?

Response	
Count	

20

20	answered question
4	skipped question

7. Do the EXISTING parks and recreation facilities meet the needs of your household?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Yes, they meet our needs	8.7%	2
Yes, they somewhat meet our needs	47.8%	11
No, they do not meet our needs	43.5%	10
	answered question	23
	skipped question	1

8. How important or unimportant are the following outdoor/special facilities for how YOU would use future park and trail improvements?

	Very Important	Important	Unimportant	Very Unimportant	No Opinion	Rating Count
Disc Golf	4.5% (1)	27.3% (6)	45.5% (10)	4.5% (1)	18.2% (4)	22
Pavilions	50.0% (11)	45.5% (10)	0.0% (0)	4.5% (1)	0.0% (0)	22
Swimming pool	42.9% (9)	28.6% (6)	14.3% (3)	9.5% (2)	4.8% (1)	21
Dog park	18.2% (4)	22.7% (5)	31.8% (7)	13.6% (3)	13.6% (3)	22
Trails	60.9% (14)	34.8% (8)	0.0% (0)	4.3% (1)	0.0% (0)	23
Spray/Splash park	31.8% (7)	45.5% (10)	9.1% (2)	13.6% (3)	0.0% (0)	22
Recreation center	69.6% (16)	21.7% (5)	4.3% (1)	4.3% (1)	0.0% (0)	23
Playground	63.6% (14)	27.3% (6)	4.5% (1)	4.5% (1)	0.0% (0)	22
Restrooms	68.2% (15)	18.2% (4)	9.1% (2)	4.5% (1)	0.0% (0)	22
Skate park	17.4% (4)	43.5% (10)	21.7% (5)	8.7% (2)	8.7% (2)	23
Fishing	17.4% (4)	65.2% (15)	8.7% (2)	4.3% (1)	4.3% (1)	23
Open space/natural areas	56.5% (13)	34.8% (8)	4.3% (1)	4.3% (1)	0.0% (0)	23
Before and after school facilities	54.5% (12)	18.2% (4)	18.2% (4)	4.5% (1)	4.5% (1)	22
				answer	ed question	23
				skippo	ed question	1

9. What would you consider the greatest issue facing Balch Springs' parks today?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Lack of parks	0.0%	0
Park funding/budget	12.5%	3
Physical condition of existing parks (maintenance)	50.0%	12
Need for trails	20.8%	5
Need for athletic facilities	4.2%	1
Need for new amenities at current parks	8.3%	2
Other (please specify)	4.2%	1
	answered question	24
	skipped question	0

10. What would you consider the greatest opportunity for future Balch Springs' parks and trails?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Improving existing parks	41.7%	10
Building new parks	4.2%	1
Adding trails	25.0%	6
Athletic sports facilities	20.8%	5
Other (please specify)	8.3%	2
	answered question	24
	skipped question	0

11. What is your highest priority recreation desire or need?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Soccer fields	8.3%	2
Softball fields	0.0%	0
Baseball fields	0.0%	0
Football fields	8.3%	2
Practice fields	4.2%	1
Multi use courts	4.2%	1
Tennis courts	0.0%	0
Volleyball courts	0.0%	0
Basketball courts	4.2%	1
Open space/ natural areas	0.0%	0
Disc golf	0.0%	0
Swimming pool	16.7%	4
Pavilions	4.2%	1
Dog park	0.0%	0
Trails	29.2%	7
Spray/splash park	4.2%	1
Recreation center	8.3%	2
Playground	0.0%	0
Skate park	0.0%	0
Other (please specify)	8.3%	2
	answered question	24
	skipped question	0

12. What improvements would you most like to have made to the City of Balch Springs parks you visit most often?

	Response Percent	Response Count
Restrooms	16.7%	4
Drinking fountains	8.3%	2
Trails	12.5%	3
Lighting	8.3%	2
Picnic tables/benches	0.0%	0
Trash removal/cans	8.3%	2
Playground equipment	0.0%	0
Picnic shelters	0.0%	0
Sport fields	0.0%	0
Parking	0.0%	0
Overall appearance	25.0%	6
Landscaping	12.5%	3
Mowing/weed control	0.0%	0
Sports facilities	0.0%	0
Other (please specify)	8.3%	2
	answered question	24
	skipped question	0

13. How long have you lived in Balch Springs? (for classification purposes only)

	Response Percent	Response Count
Less than 2 years	0.0%	0
2 to 5 years	4.2%	1
6 to 10 years	20.8%	5
11 to 20 years	16.7%	4
Over 20 years	20.8%	5
No comment	37.5%	9
	answered question	24
	skipped question	0

14. Into which age group do you belong? (for classification purposes only)

	Response Percent	Response Count
18 and younger	0.0%	0
19-25 years	0.0%	0
26-35 years	16.7%	4
36-45 years	25.0%	6
46-55 years	41.7%	10
56-65 years	12.5%	3
Over 65 years	4.2%	1
No comment	0.0%	0
	answered question	24
	skipped question	0

15. Are you? (for classification purposes only) Response Response Percent Count Male 50.0% 12 Female 45.8% 11 No comment 4.2% 1 answered question 24 skipped question 0

Page 1,	Q5. Where would you build a new park and why?	
1	Near schools to strengthen partnerships and increase usage.	Dec 24, 2014 10:08 AM
2	beltline and mercury rd	Dec 19, 2014 3:12 PM
3	Eastside possible near the girls softball fields. Use what our joining city have by adding to them just put them on our side.	Dec 15, 2014 8:35 AM
4	Rebuild the Rec center because it is falling apart	Dec 12, 2014 7:35 AM
5	Peachtree and brutun large piece of unused land.	Dec 9, 2014 2:41 PM
6	We have enough parks,	Dec 9, 2014 10:13 AM
7	off I20 area	Dec 9, 2014 9:59 AM
8	I-20	Dec 9, 2014 9:57 AM
9	Somewhere that is easy for kids to walk to and enjoy.	Dec 2, 2014 6:47 PM
10	Anywhere	Nov 19, 2014 12:46 PM
11	I would prefer to see the parks we currently have upgraded. There is no Shady a very important thing in TX. The walking trail there is in short and not very appealing. Why not upgrade what we have to make them more appealing than spend money on something new	Nov 18, 2014 12:28 PM
12	Recreation Center-because most residents go to the rec centers for outside & inside activities	Nov 16, 2014 7:58 PM
13	I would not, focus on cleaning and improving existing parks	Nov 15, 2014 5:18 PM
14	No new ones needed	Nov 14, 2014 11:46 AM
15	I would build a new water park at Beltline and Mercury or along frontage of I-20 to allow easy access and visibity from I20	Nov 14, 2014 6:49 AM
16	Just clean up and take care of the ones you have. Why build more when you can't take care of what you have.	Nov 13, 2014 10:02 AM
17	Area 3 Peach Tree and Rylie Crest. This area is so under developed and lots of children in the streets playing around.	Nov 12, 2014 11:17 AM
18	remold existing parks	Nov 10, 2014 11:38 AM
19	Not sure	Oct 19, 2014 6:30 AM

Page 1,	Q6. Where would you locate new trails?	
1	Not sure	Dec 24, 2014 10:08 AM
2	beltline and mercury rd.	Dec 19, 2014 3:12 PM
3	Connect Guy Berry Park to Luedeke Park with a biking and jogging trail.	Dec 15, 2014 8:35 AM
4	One that connects to Mesquite parks	Dec 12, 2014 10:40 AM
5	Somewhere wooded	Dec 12, 2014 7:35 AM
6	Bike trails would be nice	Dec 9, 2014 2:41 PM
7	Along Hickory Creek,	Dec 9, 2014 10:13 AM
8	I-20	Dec 9, 2014 9:57 AM
9	Near park areas.	Dec 2, 2014 6:47 PM
10	all of the City	Nov 19, 2014 12:46 PM
11	see above opinion Take care of what we have and upgrade instead of new unless you put in a park with a POOL	Nov 18, 2014 12:28 PM
12	@Recreation Center	Nov 16, 2014 7:58 PM
13	all over city	Nov 16, 2014 3:01 PM
14	start with Hickory Creek to connect other parks in city	Nov 15, 2014 5:18 PM
15	Make trails for the kids to and from school.	Nov 14, 2014 11:46 AM
16	along Hickory Creek and connectivity system to existing parks	Nov 14, 2014 6:49 AM
17	Across the entire town.	Nov 13, 2014 10:02 AM
18	Rylie Crest & I20 by the baseball field.	Nov 12, 2014 11:17 AM
19	woodland Park Guy Berry Oakridge	Nov 10, 2014 11:38 AM
20	Along Beltline Road	Oct 19, 2014 6:30 AM

Page 2, Q2. What would you consider the greatest issue facing Balch Springs' parks today?		
1	all the above	Nov 12, 2014 11:20 AM

Page 2, Q3. What would you consider the greatest opportunity for future Balch Springs' parks and trails?		
1	More maintenance personel	Dec 15, 2014 5:40 AM
2	Take care of what your have before you build other ones.	Nov 16, 2014 3:04 PM

Page 2, Q4. What is your highest priority recreation desire or need?		
1	cleaning existing parks, get rid of unused parks	Nov 15, 2014 5:23 PM
2	rec center with a pool	Nov 12, 2014 11:20 AM

Page 2 most o	, Q5. What improvements would you most like to have made to the Cityften?	y of Balch Springs parks you visit
1	no shade in most of them	Nov 18, 2014 12:31 PM
2	all the above	Nov 12, 2014 11:20 AM