

WWHR VERBATIM

Connect: Calgary's Park Plan Phase 1

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PORTAL PAGE – CALGARIANS

2B. Which personal benefits have you experienced in Calgary's natural environment parks? - Other option

Pollinators

a place to take my dog with others who have dogs

Access to challenging natural trails for running and biking reduces my need to drive out of the city for these activities, helping reduce vehicle trips.

Playground for my kids and an enjoyable place to walk my dogs

cultural heritage - who and what was here in the past

Pollinators

Parks are separated spaces with biking infrastructure that make my commute much safer compared to bike paths on the road.

Play

Dog walking

Mental health areas for dogs

Connection and appreciation of natural life that manages to survive the challenges of city infrastructure and people.

Homeless encampments and crack coaching & meth street vendors

Dog walking

I have to select five, but only really want to select 4

28 It says up to five!!! Not must have 5
29 walk dog. mountain bike
30 Cycling
31 My preschooler attends a Forest School which gives her opportunity to live life in nature
32 The others don't apply
33 Forcing 5 choices
34 Just had to get to five
35 Na
36 tourism such as families that come to Calgary who can enjoy parks as part of the city experience
37 3B. Which concerns do you have about natural environment parks? Other option
38 Lack of native plant species and little biodiversity
39 Use of pesticides. Lack of native plants, fungi, insects, and microbiology
40 I wish there were more of them.
41 How busy and crowded they have become, it's a double edged sword as it is wonderful that so many
42 people are getting outside but the result is the condition the park is left in by some users and the impact
43 on certain outside nature wellness types of activities (forest bathing, eco yoga) where it is challenging to
44 find a space conducive for the intent of the experience (so loud, busy etc).
45 Overuse and crowding.
46 we need more of them
47 more environmental protection (vandalism, garbage, destruction of spaces)
48 Dog poop not picked up
49 Dog owners not cleaning up after their pets :(
50 The number of people living in the parks and doing drugs. I have been chased by a woman with a used
51 needle, spit on, and stepped in human feces. It's embarrassing that we encourage this behaviour
52 Lack of enforcement
53 Encampments, Prohibited and noxious weed
54 I am concerned about overuse, specifically about wildlife being driven away by free-roaming dogs.
55 Worried about conflict between dog walkers and wildlife. I watched a off leash dog chase a young
56 moose. Need no dog areas for wildlife.
57 Safety (respectfully limiting "tents" from homeless people)
58 Too many off leash dogs. Need better enforcement to stop this.

59 Off leash dogs defecting and chasing wildlife. Motorized scooters and cyclists going way too fast.

60 Can be dangerous due to the speeding cyclist and absence of warning bells. Off leash dogs in areas
 61 requiring a leash. Dogs in areas prohibiting dogs. Out of control dogs on long leashes, I was knocked
 62 down from behind and ended up bedridden for a week.

63 A lack of general education and a lack of emphasis by the city means they are hard to upkeep because
 64 no one knows enough to care.

65 Any risk that development will encroach on green spaces and city parks.

66 Lack of trees the park near us is almost complete barren and provides no shade

67 Cyclists going too fast near walkers.

68 Lack of policing and enforcement

69 Managing emerging forms of travel, specifically throttle controled battery powered bikes, scooters,
 70 wheels, etc.

71 Homeless encampments make for a dangerous environment in city parks and should be a top priority to
 72 clear them all out.

73 Nose Hill Park: Dog walkers do not obey on-leash areas on the slope and on the pathways as is required.
 74 This has prevented me from accessing the park as much as I would like to as I have had issues with off-
 75 leash dogs.

76 Lack of respect for these spaces - e.g. off leash dogs in certain areas, removal of materials (logs) etc.

77 Presence of encampments make these areas feel unsafe.

78 High traffic areas are becoming too developed, low traffic areas are left unmaintained.

79 Too much manicured grass, and not enough native grasses and plants left untouched.

80 Plant and animal wellbeing

81 Consideration of home owners bordering off leash parks. We back onto an off leash park and due to its
 82 being narrow and with houses on either side is very disruptive

83 Why is the City of Calgary taking parks away ie. Richmond Green Park

84 The playground equipment in many public parks needs updating for safety and accessibility reasons. For
 85 example the park at the corner of 26 Ave SW and 20 St SW has no accessibility options for children with
 86 disabilities, is not as safe as newer playground equipment because it was built many years ago (eg old-
 87 fashioned merry go round spinner that has already needed repairs, no accessible swings, unsafe slide
 88 with steep steps or no steps for the baby slide, and gravel on ground instead of safer rubber material)

89 Vandalism, people purposely damaging the natural environment.

90 Adjacent developments not compelled to have adequate setbacks and appropriate interface with the
 91 park including restricted access and non-invasive planting

92 It's a great place (a park) for kids to learn but large and several classes are now going to these natural
 93 parks which I find they are creating several teepees, moving wood where it should be left where it was
 94 found, garbage, water bottles, path erosion because people walk off path. Animal feces left in bags . It's
 95 quite disappointing to see this happening.

96 Our parks are becoming homeless shelters

97 Impact of weather, droughts, heat and adaptability.Overdevelopment...ie elaborate stair systems on
 98 slopes, unsightly fencing

99 Overuse/ crowding

100 Lack of enforcement of the rules leading to lack of respect to parks and those who care about them.

101 Quantity. These areas are intensively used by people. We need more of them to accommodate both
 102 people and urban wildlife.

103 The industrial Green Line train the City plans to run through Prince's Island Park, which will forever
 104 diminish the value of Calgary's central park.

105 Lack of proper funding. More parks added but more budge not provided

106 More pathway types. Gravel through natural areas for jogging and walking. Bike paths are busy nit lot as
 107 peaceful.

108 Some users do not care about how destructive they are

109 Lack of park staff visiting parks to see how they are being used and if the users have any issues, or
 110 making sure there are no violations

111 they need to be more natural

112 Natural environment parks are isolated from each other. Green wildlife corridors should link these parks
 113 to each other.

114 Park safety on Nose Hill is an issue: enforcement is essentially non-existent, as one bylaw officer
 115 explained to me that there are only 4 employed bylaw officers for all of Calgary! Therefore, there is
 116 blatant disregard of bylaws re on leash areas, picking up dog poop. Why threaten fines for any
 117 misbehaviour when there's no enforcement? Having one bylaw officer assigned to Nose Hill to do a daily
 118 tour throughout the park might not cost anything, with the fines the officer could issue for disregarding
 119 the bylaws. Instead of paying for attractive planter arrangements at the park entrances, use the money
 120 for more bylaw enforcement. The goatherd seems like an excellent idea to control weeds, but their poop
 121 attracts coyotes almost down to the parking lot on 64th ave. daily. Having had one dog shredded to
 122 pieces by coyotes on Nose Hill many years ago, because 3 different parties were feeding the coyotes on
 123 a regular basis, makes me feel very uneasy when I see 3 or more coyotes in close proximity. The coyote
 124 situation has improved over the years, but having goat poop all over is just like feeding the coyotes. Not
 125 having proper washrooms year round for public at the 64th ave. entrance and the one just south of
 126 there off 14th street is so sub-standard in this day and age! What do school groups and other groups
 127 do? After walking up there for over 40 years, I'm not at all happy to have to keep squatting on long
 128 walks with my dog. He gets to pee whenever and wherever, and I have to search for cover! Many of us

129 use compostable bags for dog poop and my Cambrian community has green compost bins for dog poop
 130 in compostable bags. Far more dogs are on Nose Hill so why not have some compost bins?

131 Dogs off leash in on leash areas... excrement not picked up... dogs harassing wildlife and birds.

132 Presence of individuals experiencing homelessness sleeping and living in the parks - leaving garbage and
 133 scare patrons of the parks.

134 I am concerned that there will not be enough pollinator friendly plants.

135 Safety and theft

136 Not enough in the city, especially in some suburban and industrialized areas.

137 Lack of bike access to get there

138 Off-leash dogs are a threat to: wildlife, other pets that are on their leash, children and adults. Rules need
 139 to be established, signage posted and enforcement established/practiced to curb this growing threat.
 140 Please also establish more dog specific parks where people can take their dogs and let them off-leash.

141 Users of the park not being respectful if of the wildlife that make their home there, users are visitors,
 142 animals own the land. Protect them!

143 Look at your list. Parks are important everywhere except north central Calgary. Save the Nose Creek
 144 Valley

145 Lack of public washrooms, I have an 82 year old mother and 3 small children, we always need a
 146 washroom. The public washrooms are usually locked in shoulder seasons or just don't exist. Our city
 147 needs all season public washrooms. It's a human decency issue.

148 Unleashed dogs

149 The amount of dog feces in them from owners not cleaning up after their dogs. Or bylaws not being
 150 followed in regards to animals.

151 Off leash dogs in parks that are not designated off leash areas and dog feces not picked up.

152 The city of Calgary ruining greenspaces to build. ie. Nose Creek

153 Existing parks are being overrun due to high demand. Many people must drive to these spaces. If the
 154 intent is to densify development, the pressure will only increase.

155 No one is enforcing dogs on a leash.

156 1- Increasingly abundant encampments. 2- Barriers to connectivity (for people and habitat) in the form
 157 of major roads.

158 Homeless people overtaking our parks, not enough parks so they are becoming over-populated

159 Human values prioritized over ecosystem service requirements. Partly, this is due to poorly informed
 160 users interacting in non-preferred ways (e.g. building rock bridges in streams altering stream flow,
 161 pestering wildlife, cutting their own paths through sensitive ecosystems).

162 Offleash dogs

163 Natural parks should use "natural" disturbances. For example I like the goat concept in Nose Hill, but I
 164 would encourage low intensity prescribed burns on weedy hotspots during the winter, followed by
 165 spreading an agrologist approved native seed mix.

166 Continued health and biodiversity of natural areas like Nose Hill due to destructive human use (off leash
 167 dogs etc)

168 People who use it not respecting it and taking care of it. (eg garbage in receptacles provided)

169 Encampments and tenters especially in the summer. Open drug use, needles, defecation, filth. Shopping
 170 carts and items thrown in river. Graffiti.

171 Too many signs in some of these parks, i.e. Nosehill Park, and too much development

172 The ambient noise level in Weaselhead has gotten out of hand.

173 Too busy, loud. Not enough room for everyone to enjoy.

174 Too many off leash dogs in nose hill and egerts park

175 Dog owners with their dogs off leash in on-leash areas

176 Lack of properly designedC526:G526 and constructed single-track trails for hiking, mountain biking. It's
 177 either big paved pathways, or user created random paths. The lack of proper trail design and planning
 178 inevitably leads to the creation of random paths.

179 Lack of respect, eg biking/walking off trail, widening paths because using them in inappropriate
 180 conditions, dogs allowed to run after wildlife (I've witnessed this), Keep dogs out of natural spaces,
 181 bikers making jumps and new trails without proper environmental assessment: eg in Bowmont, bikers
 182 have damaged a valuable patch of Little Blue Stem grasses. Dog excrement not picked up.

183 Off leash dogs in non-off leash natural parks

184 GET AWAY FROM MY [offensive language removed]

185 These landscapes are not 100% natural (eg active fire suppression, lack of browsing herbivores) so
 186 condition of these areas deteriorates over time, eg deadfall, no tree renewal, however recall seeing
 187 weed control (by herbicide) (could be mistaken) etc. And the beavers remove trees fast!

188 Too many dogs allowed and poop bags left as visual pollution.

189 Active transportation network to the natural environment parks lacks continuity

190 Witnessing people using the parking lots to sell drugs (people sitting in their vehicles using a cell phone
 191 to make deals), and actually on a few occasions seeing the drug exchange is an off-putting way to start
 192 an enjoyable nature walk. Some locations do not have access points close enough for those with limited
 193 endurance/physical ability.

194 Bikes travel too fast and often do not yield to those walking

195 I get worried that wildlife will be injured or killed by vehicles nearby

196 Unsolicited camps / security

197 Homeless, transients, addicts, and recreational drug users make these areas unsafe. These spaces need
198 to be safe for people and wildlife alike.

199 Please control invasive plants with herbicides to encourage biodiversity

200 Waste sorting bins/compost bins

201 Drug users and associated drug paraphernalia left in parks, also erosion of trails and some spaces

202 I am always concerned about the health of the health of the NEPs' ecosystems.

203 Aging kids amenities/ play structures and improved accessibility

204 Very specific: the effect of odours from alkali wetlands on homes nearby

205 Unleashed dogs and dog feces.

206 Sadly many natural areas have become areas where encampments have sprung up. The result is debris,
207 defecation, and can, at times, make it uncomfortable and feel unsafe to use.

208 Dogs running around

209 Lack of bike racks and public sitting such as benches for spending time in the natural environment park

210 Bicycle parking

211 Development encroaching on these park spaces throughout the City

212 Off leash dogs should NO LONGER be allowed in any city parks.

213 i dont have other concerns but this question is forcing me to choose 5...which i think in itself will skew
214 the results.

215 Homeless encampments, human waste and garbage

216 Wild animals living too close to residential areas.

217 Survey has an error. It won't let me choose less than 5.

218 I don't have five concerns.

219 Off leash dogs

220 People living there/drug use

221 Green space being sold for condo, business etc

222 People should not be living in tents in natural environment parks. This includes places along the Bow
223 River and around Edworthy Park. I am also concerned about cyclists who use parks and pathways like a
224 velodrome and race at excessive speeds without care or concern for other people or pets.

225 Not enough natural areas, but also I am concerned that about encampments and garbage, drug use. No
226 one else dares to use the parks when occupied by the homeless, and they leave an appalling mess.

227 There are not enough. Some are too small / being encroached upon. (Why are we forced to choose 5?)

228 Question says UP TO five, but then requires five :-(

229 This question indicated I must choose five. Note that the only one I did want to choose is "Lack of public
230 amenities"

231 Up to five answers - not Must have five!

232 Homeless encampments and their refuse, drug use

233 People don't understand the need to stay on designated trails

234 Lack of programs that educate the public about the importance of having green spaces in the city

235 Biking and pedestrian sharing the same paths

236 This question indicates "Select up to five", yet I could not proceed without selecting five...I did not want
237 to select 5.

238 Natural feeling of park is being ruined by too many users. Calgsry needs more green space. Lots of
239 people have dogs - you cannot cram everyone into the same space. river Park is a disgusting mud pit
240 because of over use. The solution is not more fences or adding food trucks. Leave the natural space
241 alone and create more green spaces so people are not driving from across the city to come here. I can
242 walk to River Park but often drive to Nose Hill or Edworthy Park because River Park is too crowded. I
243 would rather walk to my local park.

244 Lack of respect by cyclists for pedestrians

245 Overrun with off leash dogs

246 Bit ugly. Limited signage to explain. As a person from the US, I feel the parks are super plain.

247 Need more garbages

248 Lack of public lake access in the city

249 non native species & other weeds allowed to expand - natural is not no maintenance

250 This question made me select five concerns but I only have two: social disorder and lack of amenities. I
251 selected three others so your website would allow me to finish this survey.

252 Concerns for safety of users from encampments and other illegal uses.

253 just picking this to have five selections.

254 City does not consider small natural tree preserves, and will not create signs to prevent destruction by
255 children who dig and destroy the park.

256 concerned about losing access to off leash areas and to bike trails. there aren't many of these areas in
257 the city and our user groups are not as outspoken as the opposing user groups so I suspect we will not
258 be heard amongst their noise. The beautiful offleash areas and bike trails keep us in this city otherwise
259 we would likely move away

260 Only top 3 answers really apply, just needed to check of others to move on. I do live far from the parks
261 listed but am close to Fish Creek and go there weekly.

262 Lack of access on trails for cycling

263 Protecting the parks

264 Too many dogs (off leash and/or uncontrolled) and the waste they produce that's not picked up

265 Keeping these spaces natural, as much as possible.

266 na

267 some wildlife (coyotes)

268 Maintenance. The ponds in Hanson Ranch Ranch were NEGLECTED by the city, now the city is
269 "restoring" it to something OTHER that what residents want and bought homes here for.

270 No maintenance and very poor way finding. By requiring a minimum of 5 selections you are biasing the
271 response towards transportation issues!!!!

272 The city of Calgary has rented Broadview Park—the second largest park in our community to a long term
273 renter and closed it to the community. That is wrong on every level.

274 Off leash dogs

275 Issues with overuse as the city increases in size and density

276 That the city plan is to sell a large portion of city parks

277 Not enough in the northeast.

278 The others do not apply to me

279 Was asked to select five and nothing else applied. I will say that as I look to move, the amount of places
280 with no park nearby whatsoever is really bothersome.

281 Forcing 5 answers

282 The dog poop that is left behind by people walking their dogs and not picking up after them.

283 This question forces you to have five answers...

284 Qwerty

285 Dog. Off leash

286 None. I had to pick 5?

287 Too few

288 Calgary's inability to stop any common good from being overran by junkies. Why yes, I'm in the beltline.

289 North Central Calgary is missing a naturalized park. A Nose Creek Park from Calgary to Airdrie would
290 help!

291 Na

292 I don't have any other concerns but I cannot continue the survey until I add five in this category

293 Safety

294 Amenities needed in fenced dog parks

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296 4. Please share your ideas for how The City of Calgary can improve natural environment
 297 parks either now or in the future?
 298

299 I like the natural environment parks, do more of this please, natural flowers and vegetation, hopefully
 300 will promote wildlife. More full flushing washrooms year-round please.

301 Additional portable or fixed public amenities may improve the conditions of the parks, with reduced
 302 garbage.

303 Larger/More Parks. I am worried that as the city continues to grow and densify there will not be enough
 304 park space for everyone to enjoy. I think the city needs to work hard to either expand parks or add new
 305 parks to existing neighbourhoods. Especially inner city neighbourhoods where there is focus on building
 306 upwards and adding density. It is important for everyone to have park space to enjoy.

307 Ensure park conditions are taken care of.

308 Urban native plant and habitat restoration restoration to increase biodiversity of funga, flora and fauna

309 "Proper washroom amenities Fix new gravelled paths put in for side slopes; single track dirt tracks are
 310 better and enjoyable Etiquette signage & community education on ""loving our Hill"" e.g. Organize
 311 annual spring clean up event, not riding bikes when hill is wet, pack out what you pack in, still need ideas
 312 for dog owners and off leash challenges with other users."

313 Designate an inter-municipal park along Nose Creek

314 Plant more native species and increase biodiversity!

315 Increase the planting, maintenance, and restoration of native plants to support our unique bioregional
 316 bio diversity

317 Protect more land around riparian areas (Nose Creek and Bow River, etc.)

318 I would love to see an inter-municipal park system along Nose Creek. I access this area between
 319 McKnight blvd and 96 Ave NW and I would love to be able to continue north from there.

320 We need to protect Nose Creek, have a park from Calgary to Airdrie and beyond. There needs to be a
 321 few more toilets.

322 Please prioritize natural spaces above developments.

323 I would welcome the creation of spaces for comm. members to enjoy quiet spaces free of off-leash dogs,
324 mountain bikers, etc. We should be able to find some quiet in the city; super + for mental health
325 benefits. Formalize the nude beach at Weaselhead; adults should be able to bath nude safely- or help
326 find another spot! Support diverse needs/uses- don't discriminate.

327 "We need an inter-city Nose Creek Park. We need to protect, nit develop, our wetlands."

328 Natural Parks need to be protected not only internally but also from adjacent development impacts.
329 Needed: appropriate setbacks from the nature park to any adjacent development; sensitive interfaces
330 between the park and development, including restrictions to limit access points from the development
331 to the Park at points where there are designated pathways; and only native and noninvasive species.

332 It would be great to see better compost/recycling facilities in parks. Right now most just have garbage
333 cans.

334 The city needs to take care of these spaces. Unless it has changed recently, the boardwalk at
335 Weaselhead Flats has been damaged for 2 years now. And all the city does it puts up a big, ugly orange
336 blockade to suggest the trail is closed. Why are there so few washrooms? These spaces (like the Douglas
337 Fir Trail & Lawrey Gardens) are totally full of trash. And why are mountain bikes on every trail?

338 Parks in Calgary can be very busy with multiple users, many people need quiet spaces to connect to
339 nature for their health and wellbeing. Designate lesser used parks or areas of parks for mindful practices
340 ie forest bathing. Have a steering committee that includes a diversity of interested/invested public
341 voices that can work together in the process to create solutions and positive sustainability.

342 Designate more area along the rivers, irrigation canal and Nose Creek as natural parks. Work with the
343 rail line and develop area along tracks, especially in the downtown area.

344 We are returning Calgarians, who recently moved home from Oslo, Norway -- we have been pleasantly
345 surprised and grateful for these parks. Anything that increases accessibility to these parks (bike paths,
346 cross walks, lighting, trail maintenance, etc.) would greatly improve them.

347 Have park rangers monitor these parks on a regular basis.

348 Amenities, better trail markers, education to users of how to respectfully use the parks

349 "The parks are in danger- the green, plants animals, water banks need more protection. Vandalism, tent
350 camps, garbage are everywhere. People feed the wildlife, and the animals need these spaces as
351 corridors. We need to do better to protect habitat!

352 People misuse the space and the garbage (dog scat) is awful. There needs to be more fines implemented
353 to those who don't clean up after themselves."

354 don't develop or overdevelop naturalised areas

355 Need more signage and education of the public to show them the impacts of human and pet activities
356 and how they can reduce this impact but still enjoy the parks.

357 Would be nice for people to have more respect for our natural environment parks. I know there is only
358 so much the city can do. Maybe have random pop-up tents to help inform people how we can enjoy
359 and respect the parks at the same time

360 Keep the natural areas 'natural'

361 Better construction of 'natural' pathway and better understanding of water flow so it doesn't get eroded
 362 so easily. Better maintenance of trees (some newly planted trees don't survive due to saplings that
 363 overtake it after a couple years).

364 Protect them and leave them natural. Allow low-intensity use, like walking, but don't allow activities
 365 that could cause damage or threaten wildlife. Make sure there is educational info and secure garbage
 366 receptacles entrances. Don't turn them into backyards for estate homes either.

367 Washrooms, garbage & recycling, signage about the plants & animals who live in the park. Defined &
 368 maintained paths to safely allow everyone to explore the park. Signage for areas that are being
 369 naturalized so other paths are not created.

370 Find the balance between protection and enjoyment? Preservation but also access? We currently love
 371 them to death or lock them away to prevent damage.

372 This may not be the place but I have to vent: I am totally horrified at the destruction/manicuring? of
 373 Inglewood BIRD Sanctuary. It was a jewel admired by many birders/visitors to Calgary. Maybe NATURAL
 374 areas should be left natural.

375 Keep dogs out of areas where ducks are breeding and muskrats live such as along some areas of the
 376 creek in Confederation park. A fence could really help here; and some signage.

377 Wildlife/nature tours & history walks

378 I would like to see more parks in the NE, for example I live near Nose Creek and it is not being properly
 379 protected, especially near the country hills and Stoney trail expansions. These areas have a rich
 380 indigenous history, are a wildlife corridor, and beneficial for the surrounding communities. Our city
 381 needs to protect this area and give the NE a much deserved green space (like the NW and SW)

382 The natural parks used to be beautiful places you could go with your family. Now, they are filthy and
 383 dangerous. Recently near beaver flats, 12 men were living in an encampment that we mistakenly road
 384 our bike on. The amount of stolen property and garbage was unreal. Days later I took a picture of the
 385 bow in Inglewood (didn't see the person in the trees). They threatened violence for photography

386 Multi use space options, ie benches for sitting, pathways for walking, cycling, running, picnic tables, mix
 387 of off leash option

388 Protect them

389 Enforce existing rules re litter off leash dogs, off trail use, feeding birds, bike trails and ramps

390 Maintain the main, proper trails. Prevent, block or rehabilitate short-cut, damaging trails. Keep
 391 machines out and bicycles under control to prevent damage to the vegetation.

392 Humans are also animals and need to be outdoors in a natural environment. There is a need for more
 393 benches, tables, BBQs and other useable amenities within our parks so they can be enjoyed by
 394 everyone. Also, splitting off the bicycles from pedestrians would be very wise...they don't mix at all.

395 Designate parts of natural areas for mental wellness including activities like meditation, yoga and forest
 396 bathing.

397 More natural areas for wildlife that humans can also enjoy. More ponds and wetlands. Restricted
 398 pathways for just walking. More enforcement of dogs being off leash or owners not picking up after
 399 them.

400 Rewilding and restoring natural parks that have been overused or have invasive species

401 I like to see as much as possible green spaces. When planting new plants stay away from poplars, and
 402 aspens.

403 Consider Indigenous rights for harvesting native plants, foods, and medicines.

404 Public transportation to Inglewood Bird Sanctuary; amenities such as garbage cans, signage and less
 405 graffiti/more care in Beaver Dam Flats; ease conflict with bikes e.g. trails for walking and bike separate

406 "Create spaces for people to live that is not a Parks. Maybe designated camp grounds . People living in
 407 parks makes the space unsafe for them the public and wildlife. Create more natural area parks. We
 408 have been losing more and more natural areas do to development. Stop approving the destruction of
 409 these valuable spaces."

410 Accessibility and restoring the natural environment, help nature out a bit more

411 We need more area protected for wildlife.

412 Please please please let's densify our city, build smaller homes, parking lots, and box stores, while
 413 preserving more natural areas!!! I love our Calgary parks! Since Covid I have noticed more amenities
 414 and more users. Great job!

415 Have at least one port-a-john and a couple of garbage cans.

416 Make more accessible both for access to public transport as well as parking; better signage; parts be
 417 made more accessible for mobility issues; keep them free!!!

418 "More (or at least some) public washrooms that are well maintained. Closing the many bicycle made
 419 trails that just go everywhere (Dale Hodges park)"

420 Making sure people know the areas are natural and that they should behave accordingly. Educating on
 421 the need for these natural spaces. Enforcing the dog bylaws.

422 Replace dead and dying trees. Create natural environments in schoolyards.

423 Continue to protect and provide them.

424 Provide more garbage bins

425 We need more natural environment parks and cannot afford to lose any

426 More connected pathways and better pathway signage

427 Keep density low. More access and amenities eventually ruin the experience for everyone.

428 "1) park maintenance is the key 2) design the park for social gatherings 3) include exercise equipment
 429 not only for adults but for kids"

430 Look at Japan and how they do their parks/green spaces. They prioritize harmony in nature vs car centric
 431 infrastructure. A lot of parks in Calgary and green spaces in general are designed in the most bare
 432 minimum way; almost like someone tasked an intern and all they did was follow a checklist. There is no
 433 consideration for harmony, growth of flora, promoting and incentivizing health

434 It could be helpful to set aside areas for specific activities like wellness parks that include areas for
 435 contemplative practices like forest bathing and mindfulness practices.

436 More of them! More garbage facilities.

437 Plant as many trees as possible. Replace dead, damaged or diseased trees asap.

438 More benches to sit and enjoy. Dogs should be leashed at all times. More garbages so that dog poop
 439 bags are not left at side of trail. Signage on trail or park etiquette

440 More clean bathrooms, don't inky have these areas in the far suburbs. Need things in downtown and
 441 inner city

442 Too many naturalized parks. They can have naturalized sections but we are lacking in parks that have
 443 man made water features (eg fountains), manicured flowers, etc. Parks are not only nature reserves but
 444 can be beautified spaces too. As a result of the over naturalization, most parks feel the exact same. A
 445 little more flowers etc like in Riley Park please

446 "Areas for open spaces for sports! Lots of seating options. Areas with shade and areas for sun"

447 I go to River Park above sandy beach every day. The drainage in the park is terrible, leading to big
 448 puddles, mud, and erosion. I stopped biking in parks because people do not follow the rules. More
 449 dedicated bike paths with assertive signage would be helpful. Once I swiped a little kid by accident who
 450 was just fooling around on the pathway. It needs to be respected as a almost a roadway

451 Most of the natural parks are great. Off leash dogs are my biggest complaint. They should be restricted
 452 to specific fenced dog parks. I've been chased and bitten too many times while out for a run. Off leash
 453 areas with bike paths should also be changed to be on leash only.

454 More trees. Less play structures.

455 Protect more areas in each division, especially rivers creekbeds and water/ponds

456 Make them accessible to everyone by offering transportation a few times a day. Some need more
 457 seating areas.

458 I would like to see more of them. Make the city more green

459 Restrictions on use i.e. bikes, dogs. Also public transportation to an entrance to the park.

460 I'm a regular user of Nose Hill Park. Lately the paths have been great but in the past some of the trails
 461 were washed out. The stairs that were added a few years ago are awesome, would love to see more

462 exercise features like stairs or challenges that would be fun and encourage use. Many dog owners don't
 463 pickup after their pets and it would be good to see some enforcement.

464 Improved washrooms at parking lots, trail heads. Improved signage at trail heads for self guided walks,
 465 including accessible routes for elderly and people with disabilities.

466 I think adding more natural environment parks, but smaller ones. A lot of small creeks and ravines have
 467 been developed over and it would nice to see these be put back to their natural state, with paths
 468 providing access. Also parks need to be available year round, as getting outside in the winter is critical to
 469 managing mental / physical health through the shorter days.

470 I do appreciate the portapotties throughout the park. The garbage bins need to be emptied in the
 471 evenings on weekends, especially in the late summer because it attracts bears and scavengers.

472 On paved paths in the natural areas, more park benches would be a good improvement. As my parents
 473 get older and have some mobility issues, they prefer the paved/accessible paths, but have mentioned
 474 that "ooo! It's far to the next bench for a rest!".

475 Ensure these parks are well maintained with enough signage and management to avoid unnecessary
 476 erosion and usage conflicts (eg walkers vs biking)

477 Have volunteers adopt a park to keep it in good shape.

478 Existence users as to short and long term effect negative use can have our parks. Such as garbage
 479 feeding the wildlife and putting them and us in danger. Misuse of areas such as allowing a dog to chase
 480 geese in bowness park (witnessed recently). Maybe like the airport if we had people such as white
 481 hatters talking to people in a friendly manner about proper use of our parks

482 Increase permanent bathroom structures at the entrances to these parks.

483 Can we get some Swimming Pool in major parks with learning abilities because I'm finding very difficult
 484 to get one for my kid and afraid that because less location my kid will not able to learn swimming

485 Built more parks. Make them beautiful and diverse. Do something with the people who has mental
 486 disorders. Last time one of them stole a bad feom my wife.

487 A Natural area should be left natural for the wildlife. Dogs should not be permitted as this is very
 488 disruptive to wildlife. I repeatedly observe off leash dogs chasing deer, squirrels, etc. Cycling in natural
 489 areas should also be prohibited as it is destructive to the trails.

490 I live close to Hose Hill. There should be washrooms at each parking area, now some do but some do
 491 not. Could you put more garbage bins along with paths? There are exactly 2 bins away from entrance
 492 points. If you can handle 2, I think you should be able to handle several more.

493 The City has done a very good job of maintaining trails and keeping our parks accesible overall. I do have
 494 concerns on the number of disgarded or "forgotten" poop bags along trails. Most pet owners are
 495 responsible and I think if there were more collection cans along paths, we might see fewer poop
 496 baggies. I undetstand there are likely challenges with more bins in terms of wildlife and servicing.

497 We have plenty of opportunities for the city to involve & educate the community. Public
 498 libraries/community associations are touchpoints for education and awareness. People are always

499 looking for free opportunities especially with children. Providing a proper framework could allow for
 500 more community engagement and volunteer opportunities. Teach what is native, what invasives do.
 501 Promote cooperation

502 More of them

503 Don't let development encroach and crowd out green spaces and city parks.

504 "Some parks hard to get to without a car (i.e. Griffith Woods, Ralph Klein Park, etc.). Improve transit
 505 access!

506 Washroom access really important and should be increased (elderly people, children, pregnant people,
 507 people with health issues, etc.)

508 Considering climate change impacts (wildfire risk) and traditional land management practices -
 509 controlled burns on Nose Hill! Bison or cattle grazing??"

510 Have walking and bike paths separate from each other

511 Plant trees to help carbon offset and gives shade to those without AC in the summer.

512 Stanley Park is probably one of the most "public" parks in Calgary, and it has among the worst
 513 playgrounds in the entire city. It is often the face of Calgary for visitors who come to play baseball at the
 514 Rocky Mountain Little League baseball diamond it really needs to be updated. Younger siblings of the
 515 baseball players have nowhere to play except one of the three tiny & outdated playgrounds.

516 More garbage and recycling bins. Too often there is garbage left within the parks because people are
 517 too lazy to carry it with them to the parking lots where there are usually larger bins.

518 As the city expands we need to preserve more natural areas. It would be great if we could create a green
 519 belt that encircles the city.

520 Please control your noxious and prohibited noxious weeds! Also better enforcement of leash bylaws,
 521 there are offleash dogs everywhere in on leash areas and many run up or chase something

522 Preserve them as they are. Leave natural environments as natural environments. No need to improve.
 523 Thank you.

524 Calgary does a good job. More firepits around the city would be great. Have a weiner roast and
 525 marshmallows with my son easily.

526 The washrooms at Bowness park close to the playgrounds should be open year round as opposed to
 527 seasonal with portapotties in the winter months. The volume of trash going to landfills from the parks
 528 could be minimized if there was a composting option for park users. Mature trees are starting to rot and
 529 fall down with very little replacement planting noted.

530 "Plant trees.

531 Do not pave or ""develop"" parks.

532 Leave parks as parks, natural, less human intervention ie mountain bikes, vehicles..."

533 Continue to leverage linear parks as active travel corridors. Ensure challenging natural trails for cycling
 534 and running. Parks should be a variety of size and type throughout the City. Active travel access should
 535 be easy via safe connections to nearby communities.

536 Continue to preserve natural spaces in the city.

537 Monitor all the parks for illegal activity and homeless encampments

538 "Protect internally and from adjacent development impacts.

539 Management plans should be put in place in a timely manner.

540 Off-leash areas need to be well contained."

541 More education - I think a city-wide campaign with social media and school presentations. More signage
 542 that explains the 'why's' - e.g. why shouldn't dogs be off leash

543 Keep encampments and related fire hazard & criminal activity out of parks.

544 Better enforcement of existing bylaws

545 Stop trying to turn our open park spaces into sterile golf greens. Native grasses should be allowed to
 546 grow and provide cover and forge for birds and small animals. Save money by reducing the amount of
 547 mowing. Limit the mowed grass to narrow strips along pathways.

548 I really appreciate that in the winter the parks have ploughed sidewalks and they do a great job of
 549 keeping them snow, and usually ice, free. It is a huge benefit to Calgarians to have the parks to walk in
 550 during the winter months as well as the rest of the year.

551 Keep off leash dog parks

552 A way to improve parks is to separate walking and biking pathways. This will ensure safety for people
 553 visiting the park and allow more e-bike and e-scooters to be placed in the parks. Ensuring there is access
 554 to e-scooters in most parks with pathways will take advantage of Calgary's network of pathways. Thus,
 555 providing alternative transportation options and increasing foot traffic to the parks.

556 "I would love more parks! Less big highways and homes that are invading animal habitat. Build up, not
 557 wide. Making the parks more accessible would be huge!"

558 Better signage on multi use pathways for right of way would be helpful and more historical plaques
 559 about First Nations use of land and way of life prior to colonialism would be nice

560 The parks in Calgary are great! They need to be expanded and maintained. Access to the parks via bike
 561 paths and public transportation needs to improve. They should all be easily accessible and connected.
 562 Remove parking lots to make more park space.

563 The more natural environments, the better for all of us

564 Try to increase natural parks along rivers and creeks, some space has been lost from development, esp
 565 Weaselhead area

566 Restrict access for dogs. So many dog owners do not pick up after their pets especially in Bowmont.
 567 They also allow their dogs off leash so don't have control of their animals. There's no enforcement so
 568 the threat of fines is irrelevant. There has to be some enforcement or restrictions because without it
 569 fines are irrelevant.

570 It seems there are more off leash parks than on leash. Very disruptive to those wanting to enjoy a park. I
 571 am a dog owner but walk my dogs on leash. I have to go quite a ways out of my way to find a non off
 572 leash park. I have encountered park users with their dogs off leash thinking that if there is no sign telling
 573 them their dog should be on leash then it must be off leash.

574 Please stop taking parks away and developing with condos. It is destroying the neighborhoods

575 I would like more educational signage for when I bring my children or students.

576 Keep up the good work on native grassland restoration!

577 "Connect them by safe bike routes Provide learning opportunities for school groups, both hands on & in
 578 classrooms"

579 Increasing number of parks and size of parks within the city. More trees!

580 Need to get junkies out of them. Always so much trash everywhere

581 Increase connection between green spaces. One large natural area is better for wildlife than a lot of
 582 scattered small protected of the same size.

583 Should be part of new community planning. Especially in areas where multi family living is significant. I
 584 live in Skyview and having access that is walkable from my home to a large natural park would improve
 585 community satisfaction. It is one of the reasons I may move out if the community.

586 calgary is really very big scince city, we neet plant more sessinal flowers. more activity areas like boating,
 587 trains, play area , play court

588 Make them safe to walk through

589 Design and implement a food forest. Planting locally adaptive trees, bushes and ground cover that can
 590 provide food for people and animals

591 We need to work to make our parks sustainable in a warming climate. The tree and plant choices will
 592 have to be drought tolerant.

593 A combination of education and enforcement to promote reasonable use of natural parks.

594 Suggest sharing the natural trails within the city parks with other groups and adding features to the
 595 natural trails that will enhance the nature walks.

596 More parks or spaces spread out in the city.

597 Stop building on the green spaces! We need to have more parks.

598 I have enjoyed naturalist spaces in other places and would like to do that here in Calgary. I visited Three
 599 Mile Beach in Penticton and deeply appreciated the support of the City and the way the beach was

600 maintained. I have been to the unofficial spots in Calgary, but it would be great to have the City's
601 support in such a refreshing and beneficial activity.

602 Complete Park Management Plans and Park Master Plans on a more timely basis. eg Paskapoo Slopes
603 Natural Park has neither - 8 years after the Medicine Hill development was approved and at least 7 years
604 after the lands were dedicated to City for the Natural Park!

605 Please consider small patio restaurants in some areas of the park, like European parks have. The one in
606 Memorial Park is a good example. Especially near Eau Claire, but others would be nice too. Cafes would
607 be lovely. Not too many, but more of this kind of opportunity to sit and enjoy nature with others over a
608 snack or meal would be great. It's a more European model and it really works.

609 Perhaps more volunteer events to clean up the parks. You could target particular user groups like
610 mountain bikers or trail runners who make up a good percentage of those using the parks. Additionally
611 perhaps more garbage receptacles or signage that say "pack in, pack it out".

612 Since covid more and more people are spending time in City parks and outdoor spaces (which is great)
613 but it means on a Sunday you may not get to go to one because they are full. Providing more options
614 would be good.

615 More better bathroom facilities, more bike racks

616 Ensure that new communities have protected natural environments too.

617 Information and updates in community newsletters, recycling bins, quarterly community clean up events
618 for families, updates on playgrounds

619 Please do not damage Prince's Island Park by running a train through it.

620 As a naturist I appreciate the availability of 2 unofficial nude beaches in Calgary but I am always
621 concerned about accessibility as I have mobility issues and with harassment for trying to enjoy natural
622 spaces in a way that reconnects me to my natural environment as a part of the planet we all share.

623 More of them

624 "With population increasing , the parks get well worn trees dying, paths over worn as people walk off
625 paths, garbage seems to more prevalent. Dog waste. To maintain a park that size more people should be
626 involved with spring cleanups, group sizes from schools should have limits, education incentives to
627 access parks. Tree planting options to assist in regrowth from environmental and weather damage."

628 Our parks are used for many different activities, like running, cycling or nature walks, and many times
629 there is conflict between users on the trails. A clear signage or different trails for walking and cycling
630 would be helpful

631 Would love to see more clothing-optional areas like the one at Weaselhead. It's the cleanest part of the
632 park and the most community I've ever experienced. Proper signage would be great to prevent the
633 potential for conflict and help manage everyone's expectations.

634 Patrolled heavily

635 set aside more land for green spaces.

636 With demographics changing in the City, unfortunately there needs to be education around acceptable
637 behaviours in the public. The loud chanting music is disrespectful to fellow parks users. Perhaps
638 additional regulations are warranted. Noise survives could be conducted.

639 Keep protecting our environment! Don't let the homeless take over our parks, they destroy them.

640 They are a fantastic resource for our city but will experience heavier and heavier use with growth and
641 densification. Engage citizens through CAs, schools and clubs to Improve maintenance, plant native
642 species, remove invasive species, and rotatong section closures to allow for natural regeneration.

643 Limit the number of people that can access some of the most wild areas

644 Create more.

645 More emphasis on keeping them clean and safe: free of encampments, garbage, needles, etc. and of
646 illegal activites.

647 "1. provide more natural environment parks. 2. provide bike paths separate from the walking paths. If
648 two separate pathways would be too wide, or if it's too much to maintain bike paths going through the
649 park during winter, provide maintainable bike paths which go around the outside. 3. Don't you dare add
650 parking. If people need to drive to the park, that means they're living too far away from one."

651 My only involvement is with Fish Creek Park which I considered perfect until they put in the swimming
652 lake. Too many people & traffic. Otherwise the park is perfectas it is.

653 I live in the area a Falconridge this is probably one of the ugliest areas in Calgary. There's absolutely
654 nothing inviting about it even the sidewalks, all uneven because the roots from the trees are pushing
655 them up, making it unsafe in my wheelchair at times to get around, I would like to see some thing in
656 Falconridge such as a terry fox running trail and open free outdoor dog agility Park.

657 I am somewhat worried about Nose Hill pathways being paved, If it is to increase wheel chairs access I
658 am all for it but one should make sure it does increase access and aim at a balance. In my view paved
659 pathways should be limited to our other parks not natural environments parks.

660 Contain the dogs!

661 Really enjoyed the two eyed seeing history and land based learning from Sandra Manyfingers and the
662 archaeologist I really hope there are many more events like this to help show everyone that this was
663 not unused land. It was just used differently that we knew. Reconciliation is important.

664 Signage; washrooms, garbage and recycle bins, benches

665 We live near Carburn Park in SE Calgary and love the river accessibility and dog park (Sue Higgins). It is
666 always well maintained (muchly appreciated). However, there are plenty of paths off the bike paths that
667 should allow dogs to be off leash and signs posted indicating the dog must be under control of
668 owner...allow dogs to smell the scents and explore but with expectation they are under control

669 Work with the province to install sound barriers along the Weaselhead portion of the ring road.

670 "Fish that clean the water like Japan More trees & foliage on major high traffic zones, downtown/tourist
671 hotspots to improve emotional well-being & enviro. McCleod trail needs large trees on the boulevards

672 & bare curb spaces with low visual appeal. Lakes/beaches, mediation seating areas on pathways, dog
 673 water stations/baggies, artwork/sculptures/utility boxes, safe fire pit area on the water. Keeping these
 674 natural environment parks as natural environments. Do not "over develop".

675 More parks in a more natural state with ample garbage cans to reduce littering

676 Being aware of paths people tend to take and building walkways there as erosion in some areas is
 677 increasing while some walkways are under utilized. Also, garbage receptacles could be more frequent to
 678 cut down on littering.

679 The City could naturalize other pieces of land, besides parks, such as boulevards, interchanges, and parts
 680 of recreational and garden parks.

681 Green connecting 'alleys' between parks and green spaces should be a prime consideration that would
 682 benefit pedestrians, cyclists and wildlife. Looking at a city map shows many small patches of green
 683 spaces that should expand and coalesce in the future. I am an avid walker and would welcome walks
 684 that just go from one park/greenspace to the next without having to green 'voids'.

685 Make them safe for all to enjoy, especially downtown.

686 Provide ways for people without cars to access parks e.g. make sure there is transit and ways for people
 687 to safely use active transportation to get to the parks. Make sure garbage cans are emptied more
 688 frequently, as use has gone up they are constantly overflowing. Make sure parks are spread over the
 689 city, NE often lacks amenities

690 Education is key. Letting people know why the rules are in place through signs, social media, website
 691 info and city reps at the parks. For example why you can't have off lease dogs, or why you can only bike
 692 in designated areas. Next I think rules need to be re-enforced with fines. Most people are great, but
 693 there are some who do not respect the parks and ruin it for everyone else.

694 Leave bathrooms open during winter, many of us still enjoy the parks throughout the winter. More
 695 garbages/recycling and add compost bins and signage so people know which bins to use for what.

696 Improve safety by managing homeless that live in parks and/or improving lighting in some areas

697 Maintenance of built areas - for example, path maintenance in Nose Hill in areas where erosion has
 698 caused damage to gravel walkways. Also, more garbage cans need to be considered.

699 Don't run a train through Prince's Island Park.

700 Make parks more biodeverse, if possible, plant more bushes and shrubs to attract variety of birds and
 701 wildlife, and various tree species.

702 More education on the value of protection. More parks where the primary use is for human activities
 703 recreation. Co-management with Treaty 7 nations.

704 "Bike paths and transportation to the green spaces. Upkeep of the greenspaces/parks. Better help for
 705 the homeless population so these parks don't become a campout space for them."

706 We definitely need more trees in our parks too and in the city.

707 Conserve green areas, keep it clean (both cleaning and educating the people with signals not to dirty it).
 708 Better public transportation to the parks which are important tourist attractions.

709 More gravel paths, more washrooms, water fountains, places to kayak and canoe safely (like Carburn
 710 Park), police on bikes, more areas like Fish Creek.

711 More larger parks that are connected with green spaces and not islands of greenspaces but connected
 712 between communities with pathways and green spaces. Having lots of green spaces along the river
 713 pathways is important to me as well.

714 I think cyclists should used designated paths and not think that every trail is for their use.

715 Better management and having park staff check on the parks more frequently. Evaluate all parks to
 716 make sure they are accessible.

717 Optimize separation of bickers and walkers. Regrade gravel paths more frequently. I think Calgary's
 718 parks are world class, and I have lived in Europe, South America, the Middle East and Southeast Asia.

719 Generally pretty happy with Fish Creek which is near me and Nose Hill where I meet friends. More
 720 washrooms would be good. Continue to maintain walking paths especially in winter and if possible
 721 separate walkers and cyclists

722 Create more natural areas. More education opportunities.

723 The ability to exercise our dogs with a bike

724 Natural environment parks within Calgary are part of what makes Calgary wonderful. I don't know how
 725 to improve this, except to limit how many people use the parks, but overuse risks the health of the
 726 parks.

727 Natural environment parks should be connected with wildlife corridors, where possible. Protection of
 728 the Nose Creek Valley from development should be the top priority in terms of natural environment
 729 parks.

730 More enforcement, proper public washrooms at all park entrances, green compost bins for compostable
 731 dog poop bags. Re the goatherd, I guess all you could do would be to have them up on the Hill just
 732 before winter arrives and snow falls. Our bylaws state it is unlawful to leave any poop on the ground. A
 733 bylaw officer once mentioned that!

734 Better conditions and maintenance

735 It would be beneficial to identify the natural elements that are important for that area and then plan for
 736 uses that are complimentary and not conflicted. Signage and bylaw educational opportunities would
 737 help ensure uses and guidelines are adhered to.

738 More sport recreation would be lovely

739 A focus on riparian health and preserving biodiversity in all the landscapes. Take note of what's
 740 happening around and upstream to preserve a healthy environment and connectivity for wildlife.

741 I don't own a car, and the parks aren't very accessible on public transit or active transit routes

742 We have many dog parks and areas in other parks where dogs are allowed off leash. But very few areas
 743 like Inglewood Bird Sanctuary where dogs are not allowed. Often I feel unsafe because dogs charge and
 744 jump on me and are not under control of their owner..

745 Add benches and resting stops. Add public washrooms. More beautification with flower beds etc. Less
 746 off-leash parks

747 Off leash dog parks are a problem. They would otherwise be some of the best parks in the city, but I feel
 748 unsafe even being near them because the average dog is untrained and unmuzzled. Unenclosed off
 749 leash dog parks, like River Park, prevent me from walking near my house and accessing the river
 750 pathway system easily.

751 "Provide more bins, so poobags can be disposed off more easily. Clearer/more signs stating bylaws, off
 752 leash areas"

753 Keep clean and free from druggies!

754 More natural parks (expansion or creation or more of these areas), more monitoring for homeless
 755 camps in the parks.

756 I love the pathways to Calgary provides in the natural environment parks. However, I believe that bike
 757 paths and pedestrian paths should be separated, and there are some bike only pathways, and some
 758 pedestrian only pathways, but in my opinion, not nearly enough.

759 protect the land from erosion and overuse

760 Add more trees and plants! A lot o parks that I have seen are just fields or hills, so please add some
 761 scenery.

762 Make it a law that dogs must be leashed and muzzled and ban the use of extensible leashes that permit
 763 dogs to pull the rope across the pathway in the way of cyclists and joggers. No smoking. No dog shit.

764 We used to water the grass in parks and green spaces. I understand wanting to conserve water but no
 765 one wants to lay or sit on crusty crunchy grass.

766 Add more park benches. More garbage bins. Better walking paths. More parking areas for vehicles.

767 Create more of them as some of the more popular parks are so packed it's hard to enjoy them in peak
 768 season and nearly impossible to find parking. We could use another up North as Bowness is crazy busy
 769 and still 20 min away from Nolan Hill and Nose hill doesn't have amenities. Also good to create separate
 770 trails for bikers and walkers as there is often congestion/safety concerns when busy.

771 add washrooms, lighting along paths, benches, signage and garbage bins

772 "No extra construction in parks that are environment parks . Most of these should either have paved or
 773 natural pathway bridges washrooms and parking and thats it Size matters the bigger for climate change
 774 issues and wildlife Parks should also border rivers/ sloughs/lakes/ hills/foothills and no multi usage, No
 775 off leash dogs or extra construction (such as playgrounds)"

776 It would be nice to have more natural parks in the North/North East- like making nose creek an
 777 accessible and protected park space north of Airport Trail

778 Manage wear and tear. Have place where users have to stay on path. Have places where only walking is
 779 permitted to avoid scaring wildlife. Look to Kerry wood nature centre in red deer for an example.

780 Cyclists now think they own all of Nose Hill. Pedestrians are told to by them to "get off the path" (there
 781 have been many narrow misses of colliding with people an children), and they are disturbing wildlife as
 782 they cycle through nesting areas.

783 Need to expand and have more natural environments.

784 Add swings. I love swings a lot and they make the park a more fun place for everyone

785 Restoration of the river banks and the introduction of more native plant species to all parks would
 786 improve them and make them more usable for many years.

787 I would love to see more recycling bins in city parks. Also, I cannot wait to see a connection to Haskayne
 788 Park, ideally close to or through Rockland Park.

789 Create a greater amount of natural grassland. Leave certain areas "natural" without increasing
 790 infrastructure. Be sure to preserve the natural qualities of the bow river valley in the NW as the city
 791 grows into the Keith neighbourhood area

792 I have concerns regarding encampments, needles, other drugs. My local parks are having a lot of issues
 793 with dog waste not being picked up, and users overflowing the garbage bins.

794 Uncover confederation creek

795 We need more pollinator friendly plants.

796 Stop development along Nose Creek and leave this as a wild space for animal life and people to enjoy
 797 while preserving and high lighting indigenous history. There is lots of development land outside the
 798 Nose Creek valley...the valley should be left alone and used as a wildlife corridor between north Calgary
 799 and Airdrie.

800 We need more of these parks in the City and we need better access to them. In the case of Nose Creek,
 801 this space is amazing but you cannot get access to it from the community that surrounds it. There are
 802 bin for garbage but you cannot get down there with kids in a stroller and parking does not exist. Please
 803 do not let this land of Nose Creek be taken away and turned into a valley of buildings.

804 The city of Calgary has the an embarrassing amount of green space in comparison to other large cities in
 805 Canada, and in fact has seen a decrease of over 16% in 15 years. And, Calgary's North Central region is
 806 looking to have whee as t little green space in this area developed on. It's sad and disappointing.

807 It would be nice to have spaces dedicated to adult exercises such as jump rope, bars and maybe an
 808 American Ninja Warriors course.

809 any and all park or natural environments should be nurtured, Industrial can be placed over land that is
 810 of questionable condition, Land fill etc...major traffic corridors. parks kept natural or manicured are
 811 both Ok. make them accessible to all.

812 It is important to maintain natural habitat as much as possible. Ensuring the public has safe parking and
 813 lock up options for bikes etc is paramount to the enjoyment of the space by all users. I be personally

814 would never even consider parking my vehicle or leaving a bike in a public park as it would most
815 certainly be vandalized and or stolen/broken into

816 Have more inner city. Even parts of existing parks can have areas like this integrated

817 There needs to be more spaces that blend in with our living spaces. It would make them more accessible
818 in a functional way ie walk , bike rather than having to drive to enjoy outside. Bulk of us live in condos
819 with limited outside space. Plus green areas help with temperature regulation for the adjoining areas

820 More public washrooms, more "wild" parks.

821 I cycle and walk the parks in Calgary and my favorite is Fish Creek. The new improved washrooms are
822 fabulous. They are roomy enough to accommodate my bike as I usually cycle by myself. It would be
823 great to have these amenities in other parks.

824 " - More natural environment parks throughout the city, especially in areas that lack greenspace and
825 tree coverage/shade

826 - More permanent, clean and accessible bathroom facilities that are open year-round (the plastic
827 portapotties are difficult for many to use and are often unclean)."

828 Make them more accessible so the users enjoy and learn to appreciate them

829 Year round washrooms in more locations. Some parks (eg Bowness) need more garbage cans

830 Enforce bylaws regarding off leash dogs, picking up after pets and littering.

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832 I feel the city is doing a fantastic job on taking care of the parks. Garbage from the wind and big groups
833 seems to be an issue that I see, more regular pick ups/clean ups? separate bike paths like edworthy
834 would be nice in more of the parks.

835 As above regarding control of off-leash dogs in areas not designated as such. This is a growing problem
836 and makes the parks unsuitable for general public use and is destructive to the wildlife and
837 environment. 2. require developers of new communities to incorporate more natural green spaces
838 within their development proposals. This super high density development does not allow for sufficient
839 green.

840 "1.Additional signage to educate users to protect the nature and animals.

841 2. Public education or sessions how to use the park without harming the nature."

842 I'd like to see Confluence Park expanded north, along Nose Creek, all the way to Airdrie.

843 "Improve signage for users when wildlife are in the area. Bears being killed in Discovery Ridge/Griffith
844 Woods, for example. People should not have been allowed in to protect the bears.

845 People living directly adjacent to parks with wildlife should be fined for leaving their bins out in order to
846 prevent wildlife from leaving the parks and wandering into communities looking for food."

847 Have more benches and picnic spaces.

848 Remember that these parks are ecosystems. Even recreational playgrounds and fields and Boulevards,
849 etc. are part of the non human world

850 You have city policies to ensure greening the city yet keep trying to destroy natural animal habitats and
851 green spaces like Nose Creek with development which goes against your own policies.

852 Increasing investment in wetland areas to increase biodiversity as well as flood protection. Decreasing
853 the grade of pathways to make them more accessible to wheelchair users as well as cyclists.

854 More limits on dogs in these areas would be great. Love dog. They also damage these natural areas.
855 Dogs on leash rules not followed. Dog shit in rivers etc

856 Park Rangers and Park Educators. People need to learn to respect these areas and not treat them like
857 their entitled playground. These are fragile areas. Leave the food and flora for the animals. Respect the
858 habitat

859 protect them from being overdeveloped - although more formal pathways etc are necessary for erosion
860 control , red chairs and other gimmicks are not

861 Review and update educational / interpretive signage to include the history of the indigenous peoples in
862 the Calgary area. Their history are mostly invisible in present signage. A striking example is no mention
863 of the Tsuut'na member Weaslehead who lived in this natural area prior to the land being purchased for
864 the Glenmore reservoir. The settler Sam Livingston is mentioned though.

865

866 More of them please, and more active transportation / mobility infrastructure such as protected multi-
867 use pathways through the surrounding communities to allow safe access and choice in how we access
868 the parks rather than being dependent on cars to get there and enjoy them.

869 Just keeping them clean, and available to people for free. Calgarians need a place to enjoy their free
870 time that doesn't cost money, so my family and I love them for this reason. Parks are an integral park to
871 keeping people physically and mentally healthy

872 Update community park playgrounds & spaces in 70 year old communities. These inner city
873 neighbourhoods are evolving where young families are moving in and tge facilities and playgrounds are
874 terribly outdated. We watched a newer community in Lake Chapparel receive a lovely new playground
875 while Acadia/Hasboro have antiquated and frankly unsafe aged playgrounds.

876 Hands off approach. Keep them natural.

877 There needs to be more public washrooms in parks. Washrooms with running water, and flush toilets.
878 Not portable washrooms. Those are never cleaned/emptied and are terrible to use. More public
879 washroom buildings in park areas would be very welcome!

880 The amount of garbage needs to be significantly reduced as it is negatively affecting the wildlife and
881 environment.

882 Bathrooms should be open all year long, pathways should be cleared during the winter of ice and snow,
883 and increased number of divided pedestrian-cyclist pathways

884 To shut down confederation park golf course and build into public park, huge territory like this should
885 not be only in usage of only 50 people it should be accessible for everyone, gold courses should be
886 moved closer to outside of the city

887 Reducing/eliminating off leash dog areas in natural areas; better enforcement of dogs off leash
888 infractions; better enforcement of bylaws against removal of trees and other vegetation or
889 building/landscaping on city natural area land; promoting passive activities and protection of habitat as
890 main function of natural areas.

891 Ensure funding is in place to monitor all aspects of the park. Too often budgets are cut and our green
892 spaces are the first to suffer. They should never be neglected particularly when it comes to negative
893 human interactions in these areas. Some people have no respect for nature.

894 Litter is also one of my biggest issues, though I do not feel that we lack garbage cans, perhaps this needs
895 to be tackled through public education and engagement.

896 Remove homeless camp sites

897 In particular, we should copy Mount Royal Park in Montreal. NoseHill park has the space and should be
898 developed the same as Mount Royal Park in Montreal. It is a beautiful place.

899 garbage cans and cleaning initiatives.

900 looks good to me now. DO NOT REDUCE THE PARK AREA IF CAN NOT ENLARGE THEM

901 To leave them environmentally free of development eg no bike riding areas no water parks no music
902 area. The south side of the park has been over built on with little used for much of the year except the
903 summer months

904 Protection of natural spaces and restoration of areas that are heavily used and suffer the impacts.

905 Advocate to the Province when they are threatened, for example, Weaselhead has been decimated by
906 the construction of the ring road, essentially cutting off the valley with a huge earth berm freeway.
907 Resist pressure to pave or otherwise develop them. Install permanent washrooms and maintain them! I
908 would rather pay for ubiquitous, clean public washrooms everywhere than subsidize a hockey arena!

909 I would like to see more native wildlife supported through the built environment that promotes the
910 success of small wildlife in the city. These can include planting more native plants, but also more
911 birdhouses, critter friendly practices (no/low pesticide use, not mowing grass that destroy habitats, anti-
912 strike windows), and more, everywhere possible. It is important to support local biodiversity!

913 1. Ensuring connections between nature environment parks and transportation hubs is critical for
914 accessibility to the parks for all people. 2. The city government should work with environmental
915 education NGOs and alternative grassroots organizations to host workshops to demonstrate value in our
916 natural parks.

917 one would be to crack down on owners with animals that use the parks - get them to clean up after their
918 animals or have them on a leash when they aren't in an off-leash area.

919 Calgary can improve natural environment parks by separating pedestrians from cyclists as much as
920 possible. Pedestrian ways can then have access to more terrain, educational signage and learning

921 opportunities, and to amenities. The number of users on city paths is increasingly becoming crowded
 922 and separate infrastructure required.

923 Where did you come up with the idea parks mitigate climate change? Floods have always happened and
 924 there's nothing like densifying an area (taking down trees, decreasing yards and shoving in more
 925 cement) to crank up the heat. Stop trying to push your agenda down our throats.

926 Get rid of all dogs but at the very least all dogs should be on a leash. There's dog poop bags and dog
 927 poop everywhere. Very very few dog owners can control their dogs or make any effort to. How any
 928 ground living animal could survive is impossible. I've seen off leash dogs chasing deer at Nose Hill. No
 929 owner in sight. Many refuse to leash dogs in the on leash areas. No enforcement to be seen.

930 Off leash dogs deny safe use of the areas. Also the amount of dog poo left is ridiculous.

931 More bathrooms would be great, as well as more enforcement for people not cleaning up after pets.
 932 There is A LOT of dog poop by the Nose Hill access areas.

933 By helping to keep it clean and sort of tidy and not intervene all too much (not too much asphalt,
 934 signage, gates etc. is one of the great advantages of these outdoor parks where I spent many hours a
 935 week

936 Multi-use pathways! More pathways in and around the parks!

937

938 "1. Save the green spaces.
 939 2. More garbage bins."

940 A system of separate cycling and walking paths.

941 More green spaces, more trees, and better connectivity overall throughout the city will alleviate the
 942 masses.

943 Continue to connect parks across the city and perhaps towards Cochrane along the river

944 Accessibility of trails (wide paved, good pavement, snow /ice clearing and well connected to other trails)
 945 is really important. It's really hard to use parks in the winter with ice build up.

946 Don't allow drunks, drug users, homeless to treat the park as their private place. It destroys the access
 947 for other users and is unfair to those living near the parks.

948 I'd like to see more natural parks for children's use - rather than man-made play structures, building
 949 natural features that can be interacted with (rock structures, treed areas to explore, etc.)

950 Living near the Glenmore Reservoir and the Weaselhead I think the city needs to do a better job of
 951 ensuring that the spaces are safe for all residents. The cyclists on those trails tend to make it unsafe to
 952 be on the paths, which causes people to create their own paths off trail.

953 Enforce bylaws, clean up garbage.

954 Be aware as the city grows rapidly some parks will become too busy and this may detract from some
 955 people's enjoyment and use.

956 Coordinate with appropriate agencies to humanely address encampments. Reduce the footprint of
 957 major roads and provide barrier free crossings for habitat and people. In some cases
 958 rationalizing/consolidating and improving trail networks might be needed. Continue to accommodate
 959 mountain biking, please! More educational (historical, natural) signage. More cafes, please!

960 Just keep the maintenance.

961 Washrooms or drop toilets in places like Dale Hodges Park. More trash bins. Better enforcement of leash
 962 bylaws and unlicensed fishing. Better wildlife protection.

963 More police presence to deter the homeless & drug users, more green spaces in the planning and
 964 development of the city

965 "restrict development around parks and natural areas separate bike paths from walking paths - multiuse
 966 paths do not work"

967 LISTEN and ACT upon public input instead of uoy usual precoceived ideas and hidden agenda.

968 Keep access high, with greater emphasis on user education.

969 Re-wilding Calgary's natural environment parks and ensuring they are full of native plants, naturally
 970 flood and drought resistant and protected is so critical. When we re-wild our parks we see the return of
 971 pollinators, birds and animals that help build strong ecosystems.

972 Conserve them!

973 Patrol the parks and respond to garbage and problems.

974 Ensure that already established natural areas are not turned over to developers, such as the area to the
 975 SE along the Bow River. Maintain these areas and put the developments elsewhere

976 I think a lot of the emphasis has to be put on educating the public more in te areas of respecting the
 977 habitats and the wildlife that we share these spaces with. Also as population grows these places are
 978 becoming overcrowded - not sure how limits could be set though.

979 Enable more opportunities for the public to be involved in conservation efforts (e.g. weed pulling,
 980 riparian willow staking, trail maintenance/deactivation (rough and loose).

981 People walking 6 across on a two way path are always a problem. Too many people think that they are
 982 the only people in the park, and are not considerate.

983 Continue to protect/expand where possible, and update signage and accessibility

984 Protecting the natural environment parks that we have now and preventing overdevelopment such as
 985 new commercial and residential development in those areas. If development trend continues in the few
 986 natural parks we have now, residents will decide to move out of the nearby areas causing community
 987 services and value to degrade due to over populated and underserviced areas.

988 The recent Weaselhead engagement was very encouraging. Most important to me is a renewed
 989 approach to preservation of biodiversity and creating a culture of use that respects the value the parks
 990 provide to plants and animals as well as their role in climate resilience.

991 Keep the parks the parks and stop selling off green spaces for development to collect taxes on. Use all
 992 green spaces for parks because before long you will sell them off :(they will be no parks left, we'll be
 993 forced to DRIVE to the mountains for "public" green spaces

994 Continue to protect riparian areas through bioengineering

995 we need more enforcement for encampments- there is a full tent village below the douglas fir trail
 996 complete with a ton of garbage and propane tanks scattered about- not safe and not okay for anyone

997 I'm not familiar with natural parks so can't share my ideas.

998 emergency call in the park

999 Clean up the homeless Camps and the bio waste

1000 Protect our green spaces in the downtown, we need these to survive in the concrete jungle.

1001 "Develop connecting pathways or designated routes between parks which don't involve crossing and/or
 1002 walking in traffic. (le: some parts of Bow River Pathway) More garbage bins especially near dog parks
 1003 such as Silver Springs Island."

1004 "I think we need more of them! There's too much gray spaces (buildings)

1005 I would also love to see more leafy trees that provide shade for people in the summer to prevent heat
 1006 exhaustion, as well as homes for wildlife! Public washrooms would make it so people can see more of
 1007 the park before having to leave. Accessibility is also extremely important, so our disabled population can
 1008 enjoy them too!"

1009 I'm all for accessibility in our parks but need to balance this with the danger of overdevelopment and
 1010 overuse

1011 Have more parks

1012 Have more engaging art and infrastructure. Look at parks in New Plymouth NZ for inspiration- zip lines,
 1013 trampolines etc.

1014 Some form of noise barrier between Weaselhead and the highway should be installed to limit the noise
 1015 impact on the environment in the area.

1016 Make more of them. Control development near them. Create green zone around city. Have public
 1017 transportation to parks.

1018 Require all pets (i.e. dogs) to be on a leash... and have Bylaw enforce this.

1019 More pathways connecting parks so I do t have to worry about parking/driving. Connect the entire city.
 1020 Valley ridge is so isolated right now!

1021 Interactive signage and way finder projects

1022 Keep the natural trails as much as possible instead of paving it

1023 Clean, indoor washrooms accessible all year round, not portapotties. More enforcement for dog
 1024 owners who do not pick up after their dog, or who leave bags of feces all over the park; perhaps more
 1025 garbage available.

1026 I would love to see one in the deeper south east so the kids can learn more about nature and what it
 1027 contains

1028 More garbage bins at Nosehill park

1029 The city needs to stop encampments from being set up within our parks.

1030 Less off leash dog areas and more enforcement of when dogs are off lease in non designated areas

1031 More bathroom facilities, that are open all year long.

1032 Increases in social disorder (encampments, drug use) have made me feel unsafe while recreating in
 1033 Calgary parks. The increase in trash and litter is also an unwelcome change. I wish I had a solution for
 1034 this. But programs keeping parks clean and safe would be welcomed.

1035 More dog bylaw enforcement and fines

1036 Proper planning and design of single-track native soil paths (not paved or gravelled) that are routed to
 1037 be fun, aesthetic, sustainable and which avoid areas that are important natural habitats. Failure to do
 1038 so has led users to create their own desire lines, which may or may not be sustainable.

1039 I am pleased with our city parks and use several frequently. I hope the City of Calgary will continue to
 1040 keep our parks wild and natural. It is good to see our parks well used. One concern is the used of
 1041 alcohol and I wonder how that it working out. I hope there will be more natural environment parks
 1042 added to the City of Calgary parks system.

1043 Keep dogs out, or ONLY on leash. Give guided walks to teach respect and appreciation for the
 1044 ecosystems that we live near/with. Engage bike clubs in respectful use of the trails. Educate. Do more
 1045 plant surveys. Care about the parks, not as "assets", but a gift that we need to live gently on the land
 1046 with.

1047 Please make more off leash areas to encourage active living, ones that are not just a field. Provide an off
 1048 Leash river area at Bebo Grove as well as a mountain biking trail. Make maple ridge golf course an off
 1049 leash XC ski trail. Theres no groomed off leash XC ski area in the city! Dogs love XC! Utilize the sound
 1050 wall areas like along Anderson from 24 to 14th to make off leash paths

1051 It would be absolutely amazing if the city could connect all the natural parks with a continuous trail (not
 1052 necessarily paved)

1053 "My most common spot is the off leash area around nose creek between 8th & 16th age NE.

1054 I'd love signage about the importance about picking up after your dog. I know lots of people think that it
 1055 will just biodegrade, which is true, but if you're in an area where 20 dogs come through every hour and
 1056 even if just HALF of them left their poop behind....that's a lot of poo. Children should have access to"

1057 KEEP DOGS ON LEADS

1058 NO DRINKING NO SMOKING MORE POLICE PATROLS

1059 Lots of consideration for environmental conservation would be nice. safe and comfortable areas for
 1060 people to hang out, have picnics, and kids to play while being surrounded by nature.easy to access from
 1061 transit would be nice

1062 Our parks can benfit greatly from having more garbage receptacles.

1063 Year-round washrooms at trailheads

1064 " -It would be nice to have a couple of larger natural parks where off-leash was not an option. I have
 1065 been chased by dogs on several occasions while running. Edu. On dog ownership while at park

1066 -penalty fees to dog owners for leaving their dog's poo in the parks

1067 -cleaner and better maintained washroom facilities, not port-o-potties

1068 -more lighting /safety in some parks

1069 -maintain urban trails"

1070 please preserve these spaces at all costs as they are invaluable to our city

1071 The City can stop with all the signage and corralling/ channeling of users by fencing

1072 "Information Signage for users with some of the following ideas: Predator - Prey relationships are
 1073 healthy and natural. The city encroaches on wild animal spaces and we must learn how to live together.
 1074 Killing coyotes/bobcats to protect feral rabbits and/or small pets is not an acceptable management
 1075 strategy Cultural Invasive Species, such as coy/goldfish , are disastrous to our ecosystems"

1076 Natural is an important word here. Let's make them accessible, but keep them in their natural state. I'm
 1077 specifically thinking of nose creek. What an easy opportunity there!

1078 "please please please enforce dog owners to pick up after their dogs. I visit Nose Hill frequently and I
 1079 have NEVER seen a bylaw officer there. a few tickets would go a long way toward getting lazy dog
 1080 owners to clean up after their dogs. A connected park system from Calgary to Airdrie is very important.
 1081 Save Nose Creek!"

1082 TEST

1083 Keep them clean and free of dangerous people/drug addicts/bums

1084 Better public amenities for instance some parks you close washroom's early yet it stays light till 10:30pm
 1085 I am still out . Or closed for the season

1086 1. Let's be realistic and recognize the significant winter use by clearing all/more of the natural parks
 1087 pathways of snow, eg only part of the Weaselhead is cleared and none of Griffiths Woods. When not
 1088 cleared the paths get packed down to ice and this limits use and pushes users of the pathways. 2. Too
 1089 many loose dogs. 3. Connect these parks together with better bike routes.

1090 Keep the parks natural and put nature above all else, even human benefits. If nature is suffering then
 1091 steps should be taken to address that issue.

1092 Fewer dog parks and more people only parks.

1093 Close these areas if possible at night like they do for Nose Hill Park and the occasional police patrol if it's
 1094 not already happening during those closed hours to ensure safety.

1095 Enhance the active modes network to improve capacity and continuity.

1096 In the past, there was talk about protecting the slopes of Bowmont Park from damage of overuse --
 1097 especially mountain bikes. During the pandemic, the previously grassed-over paths were so badly
 1098 "chewed up" by mountain bikes, they are now a dusty, or muddy, mess -- depending on weather
 1099 conditions. This makes travel by those on foot (especially those walking dogs) less suitable/enjoyable.

1100 I don't have accessibility issues myself, but we should ensure spaces are accessible. More garbage cans
 1101 and introduce specific pet waste disposal options.

1102 I would like to see them patrolled more. I worry about after hours users even though they know they
 1103 shouldn't be there. Example /The parties after hours.

1104 "Continue to secure land for lots of green space. Humans need it!! We are so blessed to have fish creek
 1105 park in addition to the city parks. Some parks do not allow dogs on leash .. Eg Ralph Klein. This should be
 1106 changed."

1107 Do more to prevent encroachment by neighbouring properties. Provide more subsidized housing so
 1108 people aren't living in natural environment parks. Re-home animals displaced by new building
 1109 developments.

1110 It was sad that the Nose Hill paved pathway wasn't cleared of snow this winter. I understand the
 1111 cutbacks but it was disappointing. Overall I use Nose Hill the most of these types of parks. The City is
 1112 doing a terrific job - congratulations on the great work!

1113 the only issues I have had is speeding cyclists who disregard the pedestrians and dogs on leash in the
 1114 park

1115 "Purchase random lots in developed areas and re-naturalize them - an example being a field downtown
 1116 or a fenced natural area for plants and bugs. Provide an entrance area to include washrooms. garbage
 1117 containers and interpretive info - what to do when the Moose mom and juvenile burst through the
 1118 bush..."

1119 "One way to improve would be to maintain cleanly bathrooms otherwise people are going outside
 1120 (mostly men) and it's very gross. Another way to improve would be to have more garbage around and
 1121 better assortment. For example, the University of Calgary has a nice system of garbage, compost, and 2
 1122 types of recycling."

1123 Connect a strong volunteer community to each

1124 More need to be added as we add communities. Developers should be footing the bill. Clear rules about
 1125 where bikes can go and reminder that dogs should be leashed. The city is causing us major future
 1126 climate problems by not saving green spaces now.

1127 Inner city park rangers (for safety), volunteers and students (of all grades, especially
1128 horticultural/environmental students) being hired by the city to specifically work in these parks to
1129 maintain cleanliness, improve conservation efforts of flora, fauna, and fungi including research
1130 initiatives that focus short and long term on maintaining the care, health and wellbeing of the.

1131 More garbage bins please! Especially in Nosetpark!! 🐾💩

1132 More signage for speed limits for bikes. More park ranger presence to ensure bylaws being followed.
1133 More garbage bins.

1134 Control Canada thistle and other invasive weeds with herbicides to enhance biodiversity.

1135 Keep protecting them, ensuring residents and city staff are keeping them clean, I like the idea of
1136 protected space for wildlife

1137 Either get rid of the homeless encampments or licence them. Might as well get some licensing fees and
1138 a cut of their drug sales if you are going to let the homeless drug addicted criminals take over the parks

1139 Consider installing more benches.

1140 Maintain the pathways but keep them a little rough (not paved but natural), better access points, don't
1141 be afraid to include off leash dogs in some natural areas but make sure receptacles are there to place
1142 garbage/compost

1143 "Be very responsive to complaints to remove people camping or using drugs in parks.

1144 Monitor fragile areas where erosion occurs and block off trails where necessary to prevent more
1145 erosion"

1146 More fenced off leash dog parks. More sports use areas like outdoor volleyball courts.

1147 Have wider pathways and clearly have designated bike lanes/walking lanes in all areas

1148 I'd love to see increased educational programming in Parks for young Calgarians.

1149 more public bathrooms, maintenance of green space and more lighting in inner city parks for safety

1150 Provide connectivity with transit and pathways. Washrooms and waste Covered viewing and gathering
1151 areas. Dedicated paths to go deep into the area but not disturb sensitive areas. Improve natural
1152 coordinators (how they connect to each other).

1153 Dont let homeless and druggies take over and turn into shanty towns! Let the native animals take over.

1154 It may not qualify as an NEP but the City should restore/naturalize Nose Creek watercourse's 11+ km
1155 from Confluence Park to the Bow. Rescue its riparian areas, water quality & natural habitat, and redress
1156 that Winston Golf Club (private) makes inaccessible to animals & humans Nose Creek for all the 16
1157 blocks in Winston Heights. The NE needs this watercourse renewed.

1158 Trail markers and maps. Places to sit and take breaks when walking down paths.

1159 Protection of natural environment parks should be prioritized over the needs of development and public
1160 amenities

1161 Ensure the native species of plants etc are restored and encouraged. Restrict use of parks by people at
 1162 critical times for the animal/bird populations.

1163 Parks does an amazing job with incorporating 4 season activities and amenities at North Glenmore and
 1164 Bowness. It would be great to see this expanded to other areas of the City. It would also be great to see
 1165 pilot programs for new/ fast growing sports such as pickleball courts.

1166 More frequent maintenance/ cleaning of pathways (for example in the Confederation park there are 2
 1167 pathway tunnels - one under 14th Street and another one under 10th Street that are icy during winter/
 1168 spring). Adding more seating - tables and benches. Upgrading some sections of pathways

1169 Scary people at the park - please patrol

1170 Have at least two (2) in the four quadrants of the city (NE, SE, NW, SW) for close accessibility for all

1171 More Trees

1172 There can never be too many parks.

1173 Can we get some smaller naturalized spaces closer or within communities? Naturalized spaces don't
 1174 need to be hundreds of acres to be enjoyed.

1175 Expand the park system and put in more green spaces

1176 We love to see green spaces like babbling brook in Canyon Meadows, a space enjoyed by all ages
 1177 instead of huge amounts of money going into playparks designed for 5-12 year olds. Thank you!!

1178 Impose and enforced restrictions on the use of mountain and other bicycles on areas that cannot sustain
 1179 the abuse and overuse by those who do not stay on bike paths. Enforce bylaws about uncontrolled dogs,
 1180 poor behavior of owners including not picking up after their dogs, not putting dogs on leash when they
 1181 are clearly chasing wildlife or people and causing trouble and dog walkers with too many

1182 Plant more food trees and shrubs. This benefits wildlife as well as park users

1183 More parks, even small ones. Lots of trees.

1184 More signage and historical information would be great. More benches, and other spaces for gatherings,
 1185 within the parks, to encourage useage, but also mindful towards the community responsibility to help
 1186 maintain the beauty and cleanliness of the shared space.

1187 Invasive species (ie. Thistle, and other types) need to be addressed as they crowd out native species.
 1188 Parks does make efforts, but if you remove 80% of the thistle, the remaining 20% just does the same
 1189 thing. Up keep established pathways to reduce ad hoc pathways. Leave them natural! These are
 1190 incredibly special places and I so appreciate them

1191 "More connectivity between natural areas for wildlife

1192 More education about importance of these areas eg for climate"

1193 Add to the existing ones. Limit dogs in these areas.

1194 We really need bathrooms and water fountains in Crescent Heights parks..

1195 Do not reduce or eliminate natural environment parks for the sake of development.

1196 Protect tons of greenspace from new development - especially riparian land. Rivers, riverbanks and land
 1197 close is critical to healthy ecosystem and provides amazing pathways and park space near water. Animal
 1198 proof garbage, recycling and compost should be available. Fines for littering, environment destruction
 1199 and overly loud music should be prohibitive - sound is like smoke, involuntarily received.

1200 "Provide clear rules for sharing existing pathways/trails for hiking/walking and non-motorized biking.
 1201 Establish enforcement of the rules/bylaws in place with visible bylaw enforcement present during peak
 1202 times.

1203 Offer new revenue generating services by private sector companies to provide unique experiences such
 1204 as trail rides in large natural parks. Offer accessibility tours w/modified hay rides."

1205 Protect and preserve them, increase sustainable, active transportation access so that park users can
 1206 easily experience these spaces, giving them a sense of ownership and experience in them. The more
 1207 people are able to access and enjoy parks in a non-motorized way, the more personally connected and
 1208 invested in park spaces people will be.

1209 these parks are so extremely important and a huge asset to calgary!

1210 City parks should have a designated city maintenance crew (year around). Perhaps consider sponsorship
 1211 of the park to make year-around care for the park something achievable.

1212 Include more small paths for foot use only as they are safer and more enjoyable for people who are
 1213 there to enjoy nature and wildlife. The bigger bike paths are sometimes dangerous with people cycling
 1214 at high speed and dodging others that stop or walk slowly to watch wildlife. Also, enforce dog
 1215 leash regulations.

1216 Nose Hill park is a wasted space, it has no utility for being in the centre of the city. With basically 0 tree
 1217 coverage, the only use is to walk around aimlessly. No opportunities to utilize the greenspace for events
 1218 or gatherings

1219 Need to improve the condition of the park; add more public amenities; and the most important thing is
 1220 to ensure that citizens are well-protected from increasing social disorders, homelessness, crimes, and
 1221 other illegal activities when access to and use natural environment parks.

1222 More signage, better snow clearing of pathways, more gathering spaces/picnic spaces.

1223 "in my opinion, our public natural environment parks need more attention in two overall areas:

1224 1) focus on removing invasive species and improving the overall health of the natural ecosystem; and

1225 2) focus on climate resilience and adaptability. how well are our environmental areas prepared to be
 1226 resilience to a changing climate?"

1227 Keep them clean by staying on top of homeless encampments

1228 Even if the parks are left in their natural state, some maintenance is required as they are in the city.

1229 Create more of them throughout densely developed areas. More cleanup to remove garbage (can be
1230 through volunteer events). More enforcement to reduce homeless encampments.

1231 Parking is definitely a problem. I need to travel a long distance by car and then can't find parking. More
1232 parking could be allocated for disabilities

1233 Some of the cities parks have great history, much of which is not always shared well at the location. I
1234 would like to see more of this info onsite. Also directional signage with distances and routes would help
1235 make the spaces less intimidating for people using them for the first time. I'd like to know if I'm
1236 committing to a 2KM loop or a 10KM out and back route.

1237 The former Inglewood Ball Diamonds field adjacent to the new Inglewood Pumptrack has been badly
1238 neglected. I am constantly picking up garbage there and the land was never properly cleared by PCL
1239 after they built BRT, so it cannot be mowed or maintained properly.

1240 Encourage clean up events in these sites as well, not just the Bow River cleanup.

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1242 More green spaces in al communities, long term : money allocated for upkeep

1243 Off leash dogs have become a nuisance in city parks. Many dogs are not under the control of their
1244 owner and are aggressive. Owners don't typically pick up after their dogs. They also harass wildlife.
1245 Maybe there should be more bylaw officers out ticketing negligent dogs owners during busy times.

1246 Maintenance of pathways is important. Too often the paths have deteriorated because of erosion, or
1247 weeds poking through to make it somewhat hazardous. I think that more could be done to
1248 communicate with the public (through signage or displays) that highlight the purpose and function of
1249 the natural areas within our city boundaries.

1250 Remove encampments and garbage. Make it safe for all to use, not just the homeless.

1251 Guide walks for individuals, kids, families to get them more engaged.

1252 "There tends too be lots of garbage in some parks. Maybe the city could help create volunteer groups to
1253 help clean the parks to preserve the parks and living spaces for the animals. Maybe create educational
1254 walking tours to teach about the environment and it's inhabitants to get users more engaged and
1255 hopefully gain more respect for the spaces."

1256 Thinking of Nose Hill, it'd be great if there were trash receptacles within the park rather than only on the
1257 edges. Might cut down on poop bags and litter in general.

1258 Places to go to the bathroom that is possibly open earlier in the season and places to fill out with water.
1259 As a female biker, it is a lot easier if there are bathrooms around rather than going in the bush. In
1260 addition on the longer bike rides there is potential to run out of water so knowing there is somewhere
1261 to fill up is nice.

1262 Provide better pathways for hikers and cyclists. Weaslehead has narrow, collapsed very steep access
1263 roads that are not accessible in winter.

1264 The Elbow River(Lyndsay Park) needs some love. Bikes, Scooters, Shopping Carts all thrown in
 1265 there.Ecological restoration should be the main focus of our natural parks projects & facilitating
 1266 recreational activities should be somewhat secondary. We have a lot of space for activities as it stands
 1267 and making sure the 20 or so people that play frisbee golf have vibrant future in our city is RETARDED.

1268 People are going to be people, and most will view human needs in priority to the needs of wildlife and
 1269 plants. How about an education campaign about how humans are connected to/part of nature, and how
 1270 even in the city, we need to respect the need of plants/animals for their own space.

1271 The city needs more money to invest in the parks. We need more parks in the new neighborhoods. And
 1272 we need to involve the citizens doing programs for picking garbage twice a year, making feel people that
 1273 belong to those parks participating in their maintenance like planting trees or native plants, educating
 1274 about importance of parks with leisure and educating activities

1275 "Year round washroom facilities.

1276 More biodiversity- such as flowers or possibly community garden opportunities where appropriate - in
 1277 the spring/summer. Community volunteers to help keep them clean and plant in the spring"

1278 Less off leash areas, more habitat protection.

1279 Better ongoing policing and clean-up of parks to ensure socially disruptive individuals do not disrupt and
 1280 deface my parks.

1281 Add more green spaces, create more parks, more off-leash dog parks, make them close to people's
 1282 homes so they don't have to drive

1283 More garbage cans. Keeping pedestrians safe from cyclists who hog the pathways, go too fast

1284 Ban dogs and enforcement

1285 Have better washrooms. People spend hours there. I understand that Nose Hill is left alone but would it
 1286 hurt to plant some trees at the bottom hillsides to spruce it up?

1287 This city has so many amazing natural environment parks. It would be nice if there was a
 1288 website/resource where people could quickly look up parks close to them and what they have to offer.
 1289 Focus on how those parcs protect nature, biodiversity, climate change and what activities can be
 1290 practiced there.

1291 I would like to see the city provide equal access to public access lake that family can swim in and have a
 1292 beach for kids to play. There is only one in the city which is in the far south so it is not accessible for
 1293 people living in the north. I would like to see one such lake built in the north so people in the north side
 1294 of the city can also have access to this type of facility.

1295 Naturalization does not equate to no maintenance. As much as I value natural environment parks and in
 1296 fact think that all parks could have more naturalized areas it doesn't mean that they do not require staff
 1297 to maintain them.

1298 winter access on pathways, weed control, security patrols, washrooms!!!!

1299 Please preserve park space for quiet contemplation rather than programming all spaces with noisy
1300 activities.

1301 "No dogs, people sharing the paths, people staying on the paths, picking up garbage that one sees more
1302 and more of, more educational signage for interesting areas i.e. Baker Park etc.

1303 The City has a poor record for listening or reading comments and concerns from the folks that pay far
1304 too much in taxes. This display of ""concern"" is a good example - empty words."

1305 I truly enjoy the variety of parks, and trails throughout Calgary, and hope that they continue to be
1306 protected and expanded. I like the number of disc golf courses that have become available in the city,
1307 and would like to see more as it is a great way to enjoy greenspaces, and experience a low cost/low
1308 barrier to entry sport outdoors.

1309 I think a big component is educating the general public on their importance/building advocates in our
1310 communities. That will probably have the biggest impact on the care of these spaces.

1311 More Bike/Pedestrian paths linking to other parks. Playground zones around the entire greenspace.
1312 More trees to be planted.

1313 "More garbage bins Make them on-leash or no dogs (too much dog poop everywhere now!)"

1314 Be clear about behavioural expectations of people. Creating their own paths, driving wheeled vehicles,
1315 allowing dogs and cars off leash etc. I back on to a tree preserve that is constantly abused. Environment
1316 and wildlife have no chance. Had to call police last year.

1317 Edworthy park trails desperately need attention. The Douglas fir trail has been neglected for years and it
1318 is such a shame to see the decline. It's like the City wants the trail to close and the park to be unused.

1319 A lot of the natural environment parks lack shaded rest areas. Most of our natural parks are open
1320 grassland so it can be easy to get overheated, or if a hailstorm moves through it could provide
1321 emergency shelter

1322 dog parks in the south

1323 Actual maintenance of the spaces performed on a regular basis. I am sick of the lack of garbage bins, or
1324 that they are always full and overflowing. Really tired of submitting 311 complaints and seeing
1325 absolutely nothing being done about it.

1326 |Please don't get rid of our offleash areas and dog friendly trails. Or our bike trails. This is what makes
1327 these parks attractive to many young people

1328 Parks should be for everyone, however, small groups of people using drugs or having mental health
1329 issues can seriously erode the enjoyment and safety of these areas. Help for certain populations should
1330 be offered to get them out of public parks and into treatment. There should never be encampments
1331 allowed in parks or green spaces.

1332 Protect from developers; Perhaps have only open certain hours of day/year

1333 It would be highly beneficial to myself and surrounding community if a multi-municipal park system
1334 along Nose Creek with Rocky View County and Airdrie were developed.

1335 Just trying to keep our interventions in the park as minimum as possible. Creating pathways and
 1336 amenities without compromising the beauty of these parks.

1337 Use zoning so that multiple values can flow from NEPs (i.e. cycling, bird-watching, hiking, wildlife
 1338 values,--these should be able to coexist).

1339 By keeping them clean and educating the public on what the parks offer and who/what wildlife live
 1340 there

1341 I love Parks and all the work they are doing. A couple of suggestions. I'd like to see more garbage cans.
 1342 There aren't any between Lynnwood and Riverbend. It's a long way to carry dog poop! There used to be
 1343 a little shelter and picnic site at Beaver Dam Flats which was a nice place to take a break. There's also
 1344 someone vandalizing trees with sometimes disturbing religious messages.

1345 There needs to be more activation of parks. Having social and educational activities would encourage
 1346 more users to be in parks.

1347 Improve transit and non-car infrastructure to improve accessibility. Crack down on negligent dog
 1348 owners who pollute the areas and let them off leash to scare away wildlife. Ban dogs from more spaces.

1349 Not ideal environment, but more trees.

1350 While increasing amenities at the entrance to environment parks (washrooms, bins, etc.) would be
 1351 helpful, keeping the parks themselves as untouched as possible is a benefit. It's important to me to see
 1352 wild spaces that balance accessibility with nature.

1353 I beleive it is important for the city to maintain the asphalt pathways

1354 Providing garbage cans in Nose Hill park - currently there are none except at the entrances, and I often
 1355 see lots of dog poo in the inner part of it because people don't want to carry around a bag forever

1356 The developer invested mllions into enhancing the natural wetlands and ponds in Hanson Ranch. The
 1357 city then neglected maintaining the water flow gates since taking over the maintenance and the area
 1358 now doesn't meet environmental standards. NOW, without consulting the COMMUNITY the proposed
 1359 plan is NOT what we want. Why would anyone have faith in what the city proposes for other park
 1360 developments?

1361 Natural areas require maintenance to keep the areas natural. Very little trail maintenance. Parks also
 1362 needs to have a presence on-site for education and security,

1363 i think the city is generally doing a good job - keep the parks tidy, accessible and with appropriate
 1364 amenities washrooms, picnic tables etc

1365 Prioritize sustainability, park management plans, more native species and removing invasive species.
 1366 Need a better City of Calgary strategy for preventing/removing homeless encampments, especially along
 1367 the river valleys.

1368 Don't rent them privately and lock them up. We need bathrooms!!! Even port o potties. People have to
 1369 go to the washeoom undr trees or adjacent alleys.

1370 Allow mountain bikes in all natural environment parks. Erosion from tires rolling over trails is no more
1371 harmful than people or dogs walking.

1372 More public transit access to areas such as Edworthy, Carburn or Stanley Park would be nice. I'd also like
1373 more trees and plants to be planted- such as they would enhance the overall appearance, aesthetic and
1374 beauty of the park. I see social disorder in parks occasionally- mainly in the form of substance-abuse-
1375 and would like to see that dealt with. Also please get rid of protestors in parks.

1376 More conservation, better larger pathways for multiple users which would also then benefit the natural
1377 area by reducing people going off path

1378 Make conservation of greenspace a number ONE priority, particularly as the inner city is densified and
1379 trees/yards are removed in large numbers! How the city sold off Richmond green is a disgusting abuse of
1380 council power.

1381 The northeast is severely lacking in this type of park. The city needs to provide more natural areas in
1382 these areas, Most of the current parks are built along very high traffic corridors with their
1383 accompanying noise and pollution.

1384 Better signage to keep off-leash dog walkers off the paved pathways. I think it's great they have off leash
1385 areas, I just don't want them running in front of my bike, etc.

1386 Calgary has great parks but they are being damaged by reckless use and a lack of
1387 monitoring/enforcement of existing bylaws. Ex. dogs running at pedestrians, dog waste, homeless
1388 encampments, liquor or cannabis use, etc. There are bylaws for issues like that but in all the times that
1389 I have been in a park, I have never seen a bylaw officer talking to users about dogs or anything else.

1390 Improved signage/education about pathway etiquette and safety. Enforcement of bylaws on pathways
1391 and in parks

1392 More facilities at the parks. I get a ton of trash cans is kind of ugly, but Nose Creek Pathway has virtually
1393 none. The amount of dog poop bags I see littered is really annoying and I would hope trash cans would
1394 alleviate the issue. Same thing with washrooms.

1395 We should make parks more accessible for everyone no matter their vehicle situation. Have transit that
1396 could specifically stop there on the routes. Things like that.

1397 I think protecting more would spaces would be great, providing naturalized areas in all communities. It
1398 would also be great to use these spaces for active transportation. Nose Creek should also be a protected
1399 park.

1400 Clean up the dog poop that owners leave behind while walking their dogs.

1401 Focus on quality parks near multi-residential development and allow alcohol consumption

1402 More natural investment in protecting the animals and insects in the parks

1403 "Education of history of what the area has been Garbage with bags for dog pick up Benches Keep fish
1404 creek Proper cross under bridge"

1405 Learn from Parks

1406 Don't sacrifice amenities or accessibility for the sake of imagined preservation

1407 Please Connect with Save Nose Creek. They are advocating for a Provincial or National Urban Park from
1408 Calgary to Airdrie. Needs a Cross-Municipal Committee.

1409 Our green spaces Re one of the best thing about the city! More green spaces, expending current green
1410 spaces and looking after the wildlife that live in these areas are what I feel is most important!

1411 Enforce leash laws strictly

1412 Living near Nose Creek in Coventry Hills, we have the luxury to watch the abundance of wildlife out our
1413 windows. Deer, fox, eagles, coyotes, owls, ermines, salamanders, and birds. Sadly though, the land in
1414 Nose Creek valley which connects to Airdrie is becoming polluted with graffiti, trespassers, and future
1415 construction that might one day push all the wildlife out of valley. Save nose creek plz!

1416 More of them?

1417 you need to put in signage especially at Stanley park regarding bicycles respecting pedestrians and the
1418 other way around. I am shocked at the near misses that have happened between both groups because
1419 they're not paying attention. gentle reminders such as share the pathway need to be told to all cultures
1420 as some people think they own the pathway.

1421 Designate more land for parks. Ensure washroom access.

1422 Better wayfinding, more garbage bins and washrooms, better transit connections.

1423 Ensure paths are wide enough to limit sie erosion. Garbage cans for dog feces. Parks littered with little
1424 green bags. Washroom facilities! Even a natural park requires some maintenance. Maps and signage for
1425 larger parks. Public transportation to the parks. Access to many parks requires a car. Limit off leash
1426 access in natural areas.

1427 Increase awareness of them, recommended parking, clear route signs throughout (eg. at forks),
1428 messaging on carry in-carry out your own waste, what to do if you encounter dangerous
1429 animal/person/conditions

1430 Having permanent washroom locations that are open and maintained all seasons

1431 Ensure that there appropriate space for various users. Cyclist need different pathways

1432 More garbage cans

1433 6B. Which personal benefits have you experienced in Calgary's recreational parks?
1434 OTHER OPTION
1435

1436 could use more parks and more dog parks that are not on sides of hills or by freeways.

1437 Playgrounds near an offleash park allow my whole family, dogs included, to be outdoors and enjoying
1438 themselves.

1439 A safe off -leash area for me and my dog

1440 Paved path to walk my dog on lead

1441 Wildlife, trees, water, quiet, tranquility are valued and appreciated.

1442 Active recreation (I skateboard and love the various skateparks in the city). I would always love to see
1443 more skateparks mostly for learning and community gathering.

1444 Community events although not enough of them

1445 Meet neighbours . Could we please let alcohol consumption by adults in parks be legal??

1446 Dog walking and mountain biking

1447 Gives me a sense of the wellbeing of our city

1448 Cycling

1449 MATURE trees

1450 No other options apply. And by the way, I don't commute through parks but I had to pick another
1451 option.

1452 I don't think it's fair in this category to add five choices because some people might have less than that

1453 7B. Which concerns do you have about recreational parks? - OTHER OPTION
1454

1455 In my experience people are generally good about keeping their music at a volume that doesn't interfere
1456 with the enjoyment of the park by others. However, sometimes the loud music can be a problem. When
1457 I'm in a park, I want to hear birdsong and rustling leaves and the laughter of children (and not the "hot
1458 100"). TBH, this is a problem sometimes in Stanley Park from the loud music that is played over the
1459 baseball diamond PA system.

1460 Noise

1461 need to replace and plant more trees in the parks, need more green space in general

1462 weeds, gopher holes and upkeep of tennis courts

1463 The risk of needles. I have collected dozens of needles in the city parks and I make zero effort to find
1464 them nor is it my intension to do so. Parks are disgusting in this city.

1465 Lack of enforcement of ruled

1466 Homeless people

1467 Safety

1468 Too many off leash dogs.

1469 Too many dogs and motorized scooters and cyclists

1470 Pesticide/herbicide use for appearance over the health and wellbeing of our community and
1471 environment. A societal misunderstanding of how to properly interact with wildlife (AKA AS LITTLE AS

1472 POSSIBLE AND NO FEEDING). The cities focus on building more things instead of enhancing what he
 1473 have. Actual meetings with people who study the environment so they can provide evidence-based
 1474 advice. The environment is here forever. It is 2023 and we all should know and do better.

1475 Safety, depending on the area of the city, there are homeless and drug users camping out
 1476 Homeless encampments make a dangerous situation for park users and need to be removed promptly.
 1477 Presence of encampments with associated garbage, fire hazard, & criminal activity
 1478 Evening lighting
 1479 More people speeding with vehicles on pathways

1480 The city of calgary is taking parks away ie. Richmond Green Park

1481 Winter can last 6 or 7 months in Calgary. It would be great to see the City put resources into building
 1482 field houses throughout the city. They'd be well used by multiple sports & a much better investment
 1483 than a new arena for overpaid professional ice hockey players.

1484 Snow and ice removal on pathways. Not just salt (hurts dogs feet).

1485 Safety in some parks, drug use and illegal activities.

1486 Not enough diversity in what the parks offer nearby

1487 Many have mowed grass spaces in areas where the grass doesn't need mowing. Please don't conflate
 1488 the parks which are effectively giant lawns with those which are actual forests.

1489 Dead and dying trees in our local park due to climate change and lack of watering.

1490 We need more big kid swings and playgrounds.

1491 Lack of trees, natural plants.

1492 I would like for there to be more pollinator friendly plants.

1493 Safety. Public washrooms sometimes being used by homeless or drug users.

1494 There aren't these types of parks close to our area

1495 Path way not accessible all year if you have mobility issues.

1496 Off-leash dogs are a threat to: wildlife, other pets that are on their leash, children and adults. Rules need
 1497 to be established, signage posted and enforcement established/practiced to curb this growing threat.
 1498 Please also establish more dog specific parks where people can take their dogs and let them off-leash.

1499 Again, regional parks are everywhere except north central Calgary. When is it our turn? The Northern
 1500 Hills communities are 25+ years old and the north keeps growing.

1501 Lack of recreational opportunities for teens (eg age appropriate play structures)

1502 Lack of designated river swim spots, bad water quality of elbow river

1503 too many commercial and organized activities

1504 People not picking up their waste and too many dog owners not picking up after their dogs or keeping
1505 them on a leash.

1506 Compost/recycling bins - would be amazing if they could be part of parks!

1507 Unleashed dogs

1508 Focus on man-made features instead of natural.

1509 Local parks tend not to have updated infrastructure, have little if any seating and are not designed with
1510 community in mind. Many residents especially in older communities leave their communities to utilize
1511 better spaces elsewhere which means they need to drive somewhere instead of enjoying the parks in
1512 their own backyards.

1513 Increasingly abundant encampments; lack of 'pleasant' places beyond facilities

1514 Homeless people and drug users, not enough parks

1515 reserved tables mean reduced access - use is restricted to those who can pay and figure out the booking
1516 system

1517 Offleash dogs

1518 Substance use & people sleeping overnight in the central memorial park

1519 Dogs in areas they aren't supposed to be (ie Natural area in North Glenmore) and especially off leash
1520 where they shouldn't be

1521 Closure of washroom facilities during from late fall to early spring. What? You think people are
1522 supposed to hibernate for 6 months?

1523 I don't use them

1524 Lack of dog ownership, cleaning after their dog(s) and too many off-leash parks, making it difficult for
1525 others to enjoy the park in peace without fear of dogs and their owners not being responsible enough

1526 Make additional dedicated courts for pickle ball.

1527 Frequently, the behaviour of only one group of people at a park can negatively affect the quiet
1528 enjoyment of others at adjoining picnic tables or areas. On many occasions, loud music broadcast from
1529 full sound system set-ups can be heard not only within the entire park, but also well beyond the park
1530 boundaries. Examples where this occurs are Bowness Park and Baker Park. This ruins the environment
1531 for those who want a more peaceful park environment. Noise is everywhere in the city. Why is
1532 discretionary noise permitted in such a shared space. Otherwise, in a city that talks about climate
1533 emergency, why is the City promoting pollution from fire pits. This was particularly questionable in the
1534 context of the pandemic, where the need to breathe safely became very apparent.

1535 The price to rent a picnic site is way too expensive and completely unacceptable for low income families.

1536 Homeless, transients, gangs, addicts, and recreational drug users make these areas less safe, especially
1537 for children.

1538 Treat weeds with herbicides so that there is actually grass. Water the parks. Plant trees.

1539 Homeless campsites in the parks

1540 Many are not maintained properly. Not mowed often enough and some are over run with weeds.

1541 Considering the number of people I think there are enough recreational parks.

1542 Stop cutting City Parks budgets. These are incredibly important spaces and should be funded
1543 appropriately. Park custodians used to be common. Those employees became part of a community and
1544 contributed to the safety and care of spaces shared by many. Bring it back!!

1545 Lack of secure bike parking

1546 Bike parking

1547 Off leash dogs limit the ability of citizens of all ages to safely/comfortably use the parks. Properly sign
1548 parks disallowing off leash dogs.

1549 Encampments in the parks

1550 Wild animals living close to residential areas

1551 Won't let me choose less than 5 options.

1552 I don't have five concerns.

1553 Green spaces disappearing

1554 I have had many issues with people who seem to think that all public parks are off-leash areas.

1555 I do not have 5 concerns about recreational parks. Poorly designed question.

1556 Lack of shade and water fountains. Our parks and playgrounds desperately need shade structures,
1557 especially with summers becoming hotter. Water fountains are also critical.

1558 No other concerns.

1559 of all the things that could be placed under social disorder, you put protests?

1560 Need more off-leash dog parks

1561 Too many off leash dogs and dog poop

1562 Lack of specific type of park like public access lake

1563 So much dog poo all the time, would be great if some of the really popular playgrounds had bathrooms

1564 Concerned about losing access as a dog owner and mountain biker. Access for these activities keeps this
1565 city attractive to us

1566 Users feeling multiple activities cannot coexist (Ie cycling)

1567 Having to select 5 things is a pain!

1568 na

1569 No presence of Parks staff to monitor drunken baseball users and their trash. Very low maintenance of
 1570 garbage and clean up of parks. Also an issue of not watering mature trees in these busy areas over
 1571 watering grass. Lets keep the mature trees alive as a priority over grass.

1572 Shutting down park to public use. No bathrooms

1573 Improper useage by pet owners.

1574 Locked and closed often, the city has many spaced but remain locked and empty a lot. I understand
 1575 security and controlled access but leaving golf courses totally empty all winter when they could be
 1576 snowshoe, sledding or ski areas seems like a waste. Or tennis courts that could be ice rinks, etc.

1577 I am very concerned the city plan is to sell off city parks (for additional revenue) - as they just did at
 1578 Richmond green. It really highlighted that areas zoned SR are NOT protected and that council can direct
 1579 a sale/rezone at ANY time. Its extremly distressing to local communities and residents - particularly in
 1580 areas that are over contributing to density increases. To be told that the city needed money when this
 1581 area has been adding to the tax base NON stop was a total slap in the face. The worst part is it can
 1582 happen to ANY park! Our parks have NO permanent protections. I would like to see a NEW land use
 1583 zone to make it IMPOSSIBLE for crooked city councilors to take neighborhood greenspace.

1584 Why do you force me to have five issues?

1585 I would like to see more specified snowshoe areas with signage saying it is permissible (can I snowshoe
 1586 on ski trails?). The condition of public skating rinks is really bad and a safety concern. Bowness was
 1587 particularly bad this year.

1588 Parks are generally pretty good, I feel for how low cost disc golf seems to be more money could be put
 1589 into that. But I don't actually play so what do I know.

1590 Qyqin forcing 5. Condition of parks is huge. The large parks are well cared for the smaller parks less so.
 1591 Don't build more if we can't maintain

1592 The lack of recreational parks in the north central/northern hills part of the city.

1593 I don't have a backyard. This also forces five answers, I didn't want to click all of the ones above

1594 Too many ugly chain link fences around parks

1595 "I don't have any concerns" "This question must have 5 items." Whoever made this webform should
 1596 feel a vague sense of shame.

1597 None other

1598

1599 8. Please share your ideas for how The City of Calgary can improve recreational parks
 1600 either now or in the future?
 1601

1602 Good job with the recreational parks, please more tennis courts and basketball courts. In the suburbs
1603 and inner city. More full flushing washrooms year-round. Thank you.

1604 Ensure park conditions are upheld. Encourage comfort in being able to consume alcohol (responsibly) by
1605 making whole park, or majority of park an alcohol consumption zone. Make parks accessible by public
1606 transit so all socioeconomically levels can access park efficiently.

1607 "The bike pump tracks are a welcome addition to parks, as well as the skate parks. The popularity of
1608 some of the pump tracks indicate we need more! Big safety concerns for some areas e.g. river pathways
1609 and unhoused who frequent those areas and verbally harass or physically assault users trying to enjoy
1610 the park network"

1611 Consistent year-round washroom facilities

1612 Provide more/larger garbage receptacles. After a busy weekend there is often excess garbage piled up
1613 next to bins in my local parks. Perhaps consider a "park stewards" program - stewards could be present
1614 in the parks on busy summer weekends to inform users about amenities and acceptable use.

1615 Provide space for pickleball away from where the noise bothers people in their homes

1616 We need to keep the City Golf courses. Nose creek protection and more toilets

1617 More tennis courts please!

1618 Creating more green/rec space! I feel there is a lack of green space in the Beltline and downtown. Is it
1619 possible in the re-imagination of downtown to include the possibility of more green spaces? Including
1620 the creation of spaces for more passive, outdoor activity like forest-bathing, quiet contemplation; I feel
1621 many spaces over-planned. Edworthy Park paved trail; need creative solutions.

1622 Garbage, garbage, garbage, ... everywhere ... Calgary is TERRIBLE!!! Not enough garbage cans; where
1623 there are garbage cans, they are not being emptied often enough. And people are not using them.
1624 People will throw garbage on the ground, right beside a garbage can even when the garbage can is NOT
1625 full. The City of Calgary needs to hire people to keep Calgary clean. Enforce NOT littering please!

1626 Maybe a cap on the amount of people in the park? Bowness Park in particular is crazy busy on the
1627 weekends to the point where it's not enjoyable to be there. It is also not great for the wildlife to have so
1628 many people around. There are also many people who feed waterfowl things they should not be fed
1629 despite signage.

1630 Take care of all parks. Clean up trash - regularly. There is so much of it. It's unsanitary and disgusting.
1631 Separate areas so people can relax and not feel at risk of getting run over by mountain bikes using every
1632 trail. Think about noise pollution and be creative to create areas that truly support mental health. Create
1633 quiet spaces for passive activities like forest bathing, meditation, and yoga.

1634 Creating a type of 'stewards of the Parks' which could include students/youth. Consider how users of the
1635 parks could be involved. Designate lesser used parks (or areas of parks) for contemplative practices such
1636 as forest bathing, mindfulness, outdoor yoga, herb walks or foraging walks.

1637 By renovating downtown office towers into residential there will be a need to increase park/green area.
1638 Pr. Island cannot support downtown on its own especially if you plan to run a C-train through it. The city

1639 should purchase empty lots, underutilized space and turn into parks. example - Highline in NYC. Change
 1640 the old Highland golf club into a natural park allowing dogs, trees are there already.

1641 More (drinking) water fountains for people and their pets

1642 Have park rangers monitor these parks on a regular basis

1643 City Parks are dirty. Tent camps, garbage, dog scat, vandalism, destruction. People misuse the space and
 1644 the garbage (dog scat) is awful. There needs to be more fines implemented to those who don't clean up
 1645 after themselves (or their dogs).

1646 They're great — maybe more picnic sites?

1647 Increase the amount of pickle ball courts. Also include a wall to play against if you are not able to find a
 1648 partner to play with.

1649 Better representation of all sports, not just soccer, baseball. More winter opportunities in all areas of
 1650 the city not just Bowness and North Glenmore. More large parks like Bowness, North Glenmore in new
 1651 areas. Less medians more useable green space for recreational parks or natural areas

1652 Convert some parts of some parks to use for community gardens; to reduce City mowing costs, provide
 1653 more space to grow food, to reduce some food imports and to help locals learn more about gardening.

1654 Ability to rent soccer nets?

1655 "Taxpayers have no rights and the criminals have all the rights.

1656 I shouldn't have to see an adult throw feces, have someone threaten my family, or be told I'm gonna be
 1657 killed because I am ""part of a rat race"". If you call the police, they are rude to you in person for wasting
 1658 their time. They will just ask the people to move along and then 5 min later they are back."

1659 Enforcement of rules and education

1660 The grass in heavily used parks gets worn down to dirt. Maybe small walls and other protectors can be
 1661 put around grassy areas. Maybe in very worn parks (e.g. Olympic Plaza), there needs to be more brick
 1662 and less grass, unfortunately.

1663 All the benches are always grouped around the children's play areas, as father of a your child I find it
 1664 convenient but as someone who also wants to go to the park to read a book quietly it's not the best
 1665 situation. Parks are for everyone, not everyone plays sports or has kids.

1666 Try to identify areas in recreational parks that can be used by people that are needing quiet space

1667 More parks for people to use.

1668 Increase of public art, play areas spread out around the parks, increased accessibility for persons with
 1669 mobility issues

1670 Using safe equipment at playground sites. No lead or metal slides.

1671 Consider new opportunities for how community parks can be used to support growing food, selling
 1672 food, donating food to residents to address food insecurity (ex. food pantries/fridges, markets,
 1673 community gardens, fruit trees, urban farms)

1674 Ease bike/walking conflict (my mum got hit by a bike - maybe more separation or education??); offleash
 1675 dogs - sometimes unclear (eg Sandy Beach); need handicap parking and trails and washrooms; crowds -
 1676 better behavior in terms of garbage, feeding wildlife (birds, deer),

1677 There is not enough outdoor cooling areas in our parks. There is a lack of spray parks and swimming
 1678 areas in some part of the city. I worries about this as our summers get hotter and I think about people
 1679 who live in apartment building with no AC and the parks are the only option to cooldown.

1680 Keep them free. Add more bylaw enforcement; manage dangerous wildlife; keep clean;

1681 More public washrooms and clear information about whether and where dogs are allowed.

1682 Better managing conflicts between dog owners and other residents.

1683 Having more pedestrian only paths. Banning electric bicycles and scooters from multi use paths.

1684 "Some of the larger recreation places (ie Riley Park) really don't feel family safe later in the
 1685 afternoon/evening. As well, should have some safe areas where (leashed) pets are permitted."

1686 It is good to maintain flexible use in parks. Some fixed equipment is good, but always have fields which
 1687 can be used for various events.

1688 More offleash parks. Less catering to bikers and E scooters. People going fast through a dog park should
 1689 know the dogs have right of way. Priority should be posted when entering these parks.

1690 Look at Japan

1691 I find the parks to be very busy. It's hard to find quiet spaces.

1692 Disc golf areas please. More beach type areas like sikomi lake but free to use. There are not very many
 1693 outdoor bathing beaches for adults. There is only for kids. Put more trees in . Widen the trails . I always
 1694 get startled by bike riders.

1695 Have more inner city and downtown options. The parks are our backyard, suburbs have their own
 1696 private yards

1697 More fountains, manicured spaces in smaller parks across the city. Bankview for example has many
 1698 parks but all of them are essentially just lawn with a few trees

1699 Garbage clean up, limiting litter

1700 "Drainage improvement in river park More assertive about pathways as a means to commute. Too
 1701 many people messing around on pathways to bike"

1702 Enforce bylaws regarding off leash dogs, and restrict them to fenced dog parks.

1703 Less repetition of similar activities ex playgrounds, ball diamonds

1704 Naturalize or more native plant species. Preserve fallen trees for kids play/exploration.

1705 More bathroom, more naturalized space, more shade. Better accessibility for pathways in winter. Water
1706 fountains. Native plantings

1707 Keeping high usage areas clean.

1708 Some baseball diamonds and soccer fields lack quality. Instead of a cheap solution I would rather see an
1709 investment in quality facilities and equipment.

1710 Portapotties at major parking lots is helpful.

1711 I think the parks currently are amazing (I ski at Maple Ridge, enjoy Carburn Park, Prairie Winds Park). I
1712 encourage the City to keep parks like this in mind while developing new area. Eg, in the SE, Aburn
1713 Bay/Mahogany - if you don't have lake access you don't have much green space to play in. Same with
1714 SW. Make developers do more to create spaces in these communities. Not just storm ponds.

1715 Continued to maintain parks with adequate garbage disposal and removal so users are encouraged to
1716 respect spaces. Parking on busy days becomes an issue.

1717 More washroom facilities at all regional parks across the city. More 4 season picnic areas- shelters, snow
1718 cleared picnic sites and pathways to them

1719 The same as previous point

1720 There needs to be active Bylaw enforcement to curtail homeless camps, drug use, out of control dogs,
1721 dangerous cycling, etc..

1722 Perhaps bikes and walkers could have separate paths (Confederation Park) Some bikers are impatient.

1723 More waste bins for garbage and poop bag disposal.

1724 More education on how to properly engage with city environment and WILDLIFE. Students/newcomers
1725 are always looking for opportunities to volunteer and build their resumes/fill requirements. Provide the
1726 framework. Why is there so much litter everywhere. Where is the city cracking down on
1727 unlicensed/unleashed dogs and dog feces everywhere. If existing rules were upheld, the fine money
1728 would pour in.

1729 More fire pits in parks that don't have them. Fire pits are an excellent gathering place

1730 Crate more.

1731 Keep dogs away from rec parks.

1732 No-smoking/-vaping; no alcohol; separate areas for activity users vs users who just want to enjoy quiet
1733 conversation with friends and family.

1734 Again, the playgrounds at Stanley Park really need to be updated. Also, the public swimming pool needs
1735 an upgrade and facelift.

1736 There are large parts of the city that don't have parks that are suitable for picnics etc. a good example is
1737 the northeast quadrant. As Calgary has grown in the past few decades these type of multi use parks has
1738 not kept pace with the growth.

1739 Recreational parks are perfect - no need to improve. Personal volunteering is enough to keep the parks
 1740 clean. We personally pick up and dispose of garbage regularly. Thank you.

1741 "Plant trees. Do not develop or pave our parks with parking lots & buildings."

1742 Start work on the Glenmore Athletic park plans. Mainly build the field house with the indoor velodrome.
 1743 Should have started years ago before Edmonton decided to break ground on an indoor velodrome first.

1744 Continue to develop parks in the city

1745 Monitor the parks more closely for illegal activity and homeless encampments

1746 Spread out activities between parks and green spaces - e.g. Bowness already has a skating lagoon - put
 1747 an ice track in a lesser used park. Have more picnic spaces and trees (shade) in local parks / recreational
 1748 parks to encourage people to gather in these parks as well as the popular parks (Edworthy, Bowness,
 1749 Carburn etc). Build out winter activities especially in rec parks (ski, skate, curl etc)

1750 Promptly remove encampments.

1751 I'd like to see more trails built meet standards of accessibility, such as those developed by Kootenay
 1752 adaptive cycling association.

1753 I do get concerned when I see large groups meeting up for picnics when they don't clean up after
 1754 themselves. There are some cultural groups that don't seem to be aware that they need to do a better
 1755 job of taking away their rubbish, And not just leaving it near garbage bins. I am concerned that the
 1756 coyotes and other animals will get used to free food which will make us dangerous for all of us.

1757 Adding improved washrooms for parks with sports facilities such as tennis courts, soccer fields, baseball
 1758 fields, etc. Adding clean water fountains. Add public gym.

1759 Maybe adding in additional lighting, and especially for winter months when it is mild but dark early.

1760 There are never too many people in a park. There's a high demand for park space and we need more.
 1761 People want parks!

1762 "Better pedestrian/bike separation more recreational spaces"

1763 Separate tennis courts from paddle courts. As a tennis player, it is annoying to play next to paddle
 1764 players. Paddle players are noisy and play in large groups. If it's not possible, it would be great to have
 1765 some rules limiting the number of players per court.

1766 Increase parking areas

1767 "Public education about using parks properly; staying on paths, using garbage receptacles etc. Having
 1768 more parks staff monitoring use and looking after the park. Enforce onleash use for dog owners and
 1769 enforce them picking up after their pets or have more off leash parks for their use."

1770 Enforcement of dogs - control, protection of the environment, dog feces, leashes..lunging at people and
 1771 children. Defacing Graves in parks with cemeteries.

1772 Please stop taking parks away for large development. It is ruining the neighborhoods

1773 I would like to see a variety of activities offered

1774 "Become the first Canadian city with public outdoor squash courts! (NW would be great!)

1775 <https://psafoundation.com/outdoor-squash/>"

1776 See comments above - large field houses would a great addition to the facilities presently run by the

1777 City.

1778 There are not enough parks. If you don't have a car, accessing a park is difficult

1779 With the population growth in Calagary it would be nice to see new parks to keep up with demand. With

1780 increased housing density parks are becoming harder & harder to access as more people with less yard

1781 space use city parks. Going to Bowness park on a nice day has become almost impossible.

1782 More parks and green spaces is always better. I'd like to see grass areas replaced with clover. Planting of

1783 more native wildflowers in these parks would be nice to see and better support pollinators. Some sort of

1784 a plan to better enforce by-laws to ensure people cleanup after dogs (there are signs, bins, waste bags,

1785 but it is still a significant issue in some areas).

1786 near downtown no recreational park, mostly new people prefear to stay in downtown but as per

1787 population no enought facilities

1788 More disc golf courses

1789 Improved monitoring and maintenance

1790 Improvements in congested areas for separating bikes and pedestrians.

1791 Enhance the utility of existing natural walking paths with necessary low cost "pods" of infrastructure to

1792 support mindfulness activities like yoga, forest bathing , and shaman activities.

1793 It is hard to book any of the sites close to parking as they seem to always be booked, especially in

1794 Bowness Park. It was better when you drove to the farther away spots, especially if there are family

1795 members with mobility issues. Parking at Edwerty Park is hit or miss.

1796 "I would love more washrooms - i saw news about the pilot in Calgary to have attendants, which is

1797 great. For me, the condition of parks can be an issue (garbage, illegal fire sites, aggressive residents).

1798 Everyone should have a safe place to live and some people are/chose the outdoors but that should not

1799 make it unsafe for the public to be there. and more naturalism spaces. Safety is a concern."

1800 As the City grows, more parks are required to provide adequate space and opportunities and prevent

1801 overuse.

1802 More splash parks please

1803 Better management of playdowns bookings to allow more groups to make use of fields; more

1804 transparent to allow user groups to work together to maximize field use

1805 as the population grows - I think accessibility and parking are going to be key factors for access for all -

1806 unless you can walk to one.

1807 There needs to be more public splash parks. Edmonton has over 80+ public splash parks. Calgary needs
 1808 to get away from private splash pads that are behind the locked gates of a HOA.

1809 Please - do not run the \$7 billion (cost plus operating losses) train through Prince's Island Park.

1810 Large unused soccer field park in McKenzie Towne, by Elgin Way, could use other amenities on the end
 1811 without soccer nets. A splash pad and park structure could serve the huge number of children in the
 1812 area.

1813 Private functions and sports teams should book ahead and not on Fed/prov holidays.

1814 Policing in parks as a regular occurrence. Many of the recreational sites are used for drug use and
 1815 dealings

1816 patrol heavily

1817 Building better parks in the northeast area not just the south

1818 Better bylaw enforcement

1819 Focus on keeping them safe, clean, and beautiful. A thriving greenspace is a community-enhancing
 1820 space.

1821 more free parking

1822 Hardly any parks have public washrooms, leaving people to rely on nearby businesses, which often close
 1823 late at night. Provide the washrooms, the surrounding businesses, libraries, and rec centres don't need
 1824 to bear that burden.

1825 None.

1826 I believe that organizations that ask users to pay for organized activities using public space such as doing
 1827 gymnastics or running and dog training should be ask to register and pay a fee on line. I do not like the
 1828 idea that the public is paying for private profits.

1829 Ensure there are public washrooms and enough garbage and recycle bins

1830 Even though we have not taken advantage of this, I appreciate the recent ideas of allowing picnics and
 1831 alcohol in public parks. Shows leadership and trying to thinking out of the box. Don't allows do what was
 1832 done...question why and lead with intention.

1833 Encouraging a continued culture of cleaning up after usage and respectful behaviour.

1834 Nosehill needs garbages on top not just at entrances. Long way to carry a poop bag! Also the paved path
 1835 should be plowed in winter

1836 Can be difficult/impossible to find a picnic table or bbq some days, even outside of peak times. Parking is
 1837 limited or very far from some sites.

1838 Some parks need to focus on safety. Lions Park close to the LRT in the summer is a haven for drug use
 1839 and 'hanging out'. This situation has been a concern for a number of years. Residents of the community

1840 are intimidated when walking to the library, shopping mall or playing with their children. A more
 1841 proactive approach to public safety is needed.

1842 Please share another survey with open ended questions; your default selections certainly don't apply to
 1843 all. Very disappointed to see how biased this survey is.

1844 Making sure equitable access in all areas of the city, ensuring there are public transit and active
 1845 transportation options, continuing to add different things like bouldering, pump tracks, obstacle course
 1846 playgrounds, water parks. Ensuring trash is emptied as needed.

1847 We have great pathways. I think in some areas (south Glenmore park for example) more separate paths
 1848 for bikes and pedestrians are needed as the city grows and more people use the parks.

1849 Action needs to be taken to preserve the established tree canopy in our parks into the future. Our local
 1850 park has many established trees that are dead or dying. Watering and replacement protocols need to
 1851 be established before we lose the investment that has been made into our trees - time, money, and
 1852 resources have brought them this far. We need to keep them alive.

1853 Please do not set up bbq areas in parks at the back of houses. It becomes extremely noisy and it is not
 1854 fair to people who have their house backing onto the park

1855 "More exposure and advertising for local recreational parks. Add amenities for users, i.e. water
 1856 fountains and public restrooms. Infographics about various activities and events happening in the
 1857 parks."

1858 More trees please

1859 Keep them safe, clean and with good amenities. Involve the community if you need activities (people
 1860 may be willing to offer them for free)

1861 More frequent garbage pickup, more swings for older kids, refresh playgrounds more frequently as
 1862 many have old outdated equipment, more bars for gymnastics or even a gymnastics/CrossFit park (one
 1863 in N and one in South). More outdoor tracks.

1864 "Non investment in baseball facilities in the City of Calgary. Current facilities is disrepair. No lights, no
 1865 washrooms, no amenities.

1866 At Inland Park. For baseball teams it is embarrassing how inadequate our facilities are in comparison to
 1867 other cities in Alberta including Edmonton, Red Deer and Lethbridge. City puts no money in recreation
 1868 facilities. Let's them deteriorate like Foothills stadium."

1869 Add some recreational parks (playgrounds) that are built for older children and teenagers. I don't feel
 1870 that playgrounds fit the needs of older children, and would like to see some parks built specifically for an
 1871 older age group. Just because they're older doesn't mean they wouldn't also enjoy playing in a
 1872 playground that is the right size for them!

1873 Develop more of them! Make sure the current ones are accessible.

1874 No significant concerns.

1875 better ammenities

1876 Need to adapt parks to future recreational activities. We need less "cookie-cutter recreational parks"
 1877 (e.g. an open space that has a baseball diamond, play structure, park bench, and open field, etc). Need
 1878 to become creative

1879 The ability to exercise our dogs with a bike

1880 The alcohol in parks pilot should be included to include all city parks. Adults should be able to have a
 1881 picnic that includes a bottle of wine without worrying about breaking a by-law. The downtown
 1882 commercial core needs an outdoor park with a playground if the area is going to attract families.

1883 Better condition of soccer fields.

1884 Education to help users avoid conflict and bylaw educational opportunities to inform and ensure
 1885 guidelines are met and conflicts reduced.

1886 I'd love more outdoor pools

1887 NA

1888 Increased naturalization to enhance urban biodiversity

1889 I would love to see more cafe/ bistro type businesses allowed in parks. A good example would be the
 1890 National Capital Commission (NCC) Bistros in Ottawa. These bistros really enhance their park space and
 1891 they would be great for Calgary!

1892 City swimming pools close on long weekends, exactly when people have time to use them.

1893 More trees and natural foliage in and around these parks.

1894 I was disappointed when the City removed the disc golf course from North Glenmore. It was a valuable,
 1895 low maintenance use of underutilized space. There was zero transparency in parks decision making,
 1896 even after consulting my local councillor.

1897 promote them and provide details of usages in individual parks

1898 Some parks are really close to big roads and highways which makes it loud, so maybe we could build
 1899 parks a little further away from big roads

1900 I think we are very blessed with the multitude of natural parks in Calgary. I leave it up to others to think
 1901 about how they could be improved.

1902 Retain native plant species, add signage to unique features.

1903 There are some pathway systems in Calgary that are lacking connection. As an example, I bike commute
 1904 from Nose Hill Park to the Sunridge/Horizon area, and there is a robust path system down nose creek,
 1905 but the only way to safely cross Deerfoot is south of 32nd Ave. There is a path system East of Deerfoot
 1906 on McKnight, but it's not connected there. It's a shame.

1907 More patrolling for safety and cleanliness. Often close to downtown can be sketchy and I avoid some
 1908 areas for this reason. Diversity in locations for all areas of the city including suburbs.

1909 add some social gathering places such as for outdoor parties

1910 "Some parks have TOO MANY uses! Bowness is an example too many people, the parks is overused too
 1911 much parking for a small space

1912 just TOO TOO MUCH!!!!!! Bowness park is destroyed by the city putting too much into it

1913 restaurants/lagoon/picnics/private functions/ bike path/skating/access to river and TOO MUCH
 1914 PARKING!!!!!! TOO MANY PEOPLE DOING TOO MUCH!!!!!! there are no more wildlife anymore"

1915 Many parks could do without mowing 100% of the land. In areas that aren't often used for recreation,
 1916 such as along the perimeters or along pathways, wildflower growth and natural grass growth would be
 1917 beneficial to the city's biodiversity and drought resistance

1918 Educate and post signs about no dogs on sport fields. Sport club should enforce this for their users.

1919 Please install more benches and a few outdoor workout gyms

1920 Need more soccer fields, indoor and outdoor. Also fields need to be fairly dispersed among city clubs.

1921 Plant grasses that are native to the area.

1922 Perhaps you could invest in more accessible playgrounds for children who use wheelchairs. Also, I would
 1923 love to see more recycling bins.

1924 "Increase the opportunities to try new sports. More disc golf courses Less real golf that limit the
 1925 patrons"

1926 Users not picking up dog waste, and leaving garbage behind. Not enough waste bins/frequent collection
 1927 for the volume of activity.

1928 Uncover confederation creek

1929 More parking patrols on weekends around Bowness Park because people are parking in front of drive
 1930 ways, using up all the parking etc.

1931 Please plant more pollinator friendly plants.

1932 Work with schools to have occasional outdoor class time for children to pick up garbage safety providing
 1933 education and respect for their park space.

1934 We need more parks with outdoor winter options, cross country skiing is amazing but tracks are very
 1935 limited in the north parts of the city. More outdoor skating rinks in Coventry Hills - one for hockey and
 1936 one for leisure.

1937 I don't have trust in our city to do this. They don't listen to citizens. It's political strategy that focuses on
 1938 the SE area, leaving North Central Calgary forgotten about

1939 More various activities: disc golf, basketball, cricket.

1940 Better education on traffic flow through the pathway system, people walking on both right and left side
 1941 of the path and bikes trying to safely get past them. I warn pedestrians with a horn, then may jump left
 1942 or right, one never knows, others can't hear due to ear buds blasting in their ears and either don't move
 1943 or are startled. Rules of the road need to be learned like travelling down a highway.

1944 Maintenance is key!! We don't have enough outdoor parks that are maintained to support organized
 1945 sports let alone casual recreation

1946 Allow responsible consumption of alcohol in public parks for adults.

1947 I really believe that all community parks should have a play ground a natural area at bare minimum a
 1948 basketball area for sports. Tennis, baseball, beach volleyball are also great. I do not believe large green
 1949 recycling bins should be anywhere near these areas. Specifically South Calgary Park it's dirty and not
 1950 safe.

1951 The path ways need to be wider or doubled up. There are so many people wanting to access a limited
 1952 amount of path ways that it is over crowded. For a city that wants people to be active it is not supplying
 1953 a path way that is wide enough for all the users. Two large strollers should be able to pass with room on
 1954 either side

1955 "Permanent, clean and accessible bathroom facilities that are open year round. More garbage cans
 1956 and/or more active cleaning of garbage cans, especially on weekends"

1957 More year round washrooms

1958 More washrooms in the recreational parks, designated pickleball courts like Red Deer and Medicine
 1959 Hat!!!

1960 1. Same comments as above regarding control of off-leash dogs in areas not designated as such. This is a
 1961 growing problem and makes the parks unsuitable for general public use and is destructive to the wildlife
 1962 and environment. 2. require developers of new communities to incorporate more natural green spaces
 1963 within their development proposals. New community developments lack sufficient green.

1964 Need more park in the community specially to the new community..

1965 Remember that recreational parks are part of ecosystems. Choose plants for their benefits to insects as
 1966 well as their ability to be maintained, provide shade, lawn, etc

1967 Regional Parks should be available throughout the city but instead those in the far north have been
 1968 isolated with nothing. We must get in our cars for everything and anything, including parks

1969 Consult users of all ages

1970 Recreational parks like Edworthy are terrible in terms of accessibility, with paths that have what feel like
 1971 a 20% grade or higher that can't reasonably be used by wheelchair users not cyclists, adding switchbacks
 1972 to these steep grades would greatly improve these conditions.

1973 Dog shit and zoo lower water quality. Water quality of Elbow is terrible with ecoli, could be way more ski
 1974 trails in winter, winter bike infrastructure on pathways (think Norway)

1975 Park Rangers and Bylaw Enforcement. People need to leave their loud music at home. And, they need to
 1976 appreciate trees and nature more. Trees aren't fitness props. And, picking the bark off damages the
 1977 trees. But, there's no one around to enforce or educate

1978 resist the pressure for organized activities to take over these parks

1979 As before, I would like to see more separate multi-use pathways through the surrounding communities
 1980 connecting people to the parks. This allows choice in how we access the parks rather than presuming
 1981 everyone will drive (and thus forcing everyone to drive due to lack of other options).

1982 Keep them in good condition, keep them free use, add more beach volleyball courts!

1983 Perhaps controlling the numbers entering the parks but am not sure how you do that....

1984 Please put more washroom buildings with flush toilets and running water. No portable washrooms
 1985 please, as those are never emptied/cleaned!

1986 Garbage and debris needs to be cleaned up.

1987 Please stop cutting budgets. Rotary Park in Cres Heights has lost its custodian for 3 yrs-he worked so
 1988 hard to make it a beauty spot but it needs so much work now to tend to the neglect, clearing out debris
 1989 & garbage from wild areas - you had him in Riley Park during COVID but we had 100s of people using our
 1990 park every day. It was a mess -residents cleaned up the garbage every day, bags of it.

1991 Offer a Music in the Park program like in the Okanagan. People bring their own lawn chair and pay the
 1992 musician(s) by donation. It's wonderful! We really need to do this.

1993 More Trees

1994 More courts like pickle ball, courts and bike parks would benefit everyone

1995 Grow the public drinking picnic table program.

1996 OK to me now

1997 Adequate parking and facilities

1998 Washrooms! Install year round public washrooms and maintain them daily. Also well-signed recycling/
 1999 trash cans. Maintain benches and picnic tables. I would rather we have beautiful, well-maintained parks
 2000 and pathways than spend another cent on roads. Enforcement should focus on activities that affect
 2001 others, like smoking or blasting loud music from a speaker.

2002 More diversity of activities, better awareness of what activities exist, and above all, better connectivity
 2003 and visibility of park space via public transit and active transit corridors.

2004 We need better connectivity between downtown residents and large recreational facilities

2005 Comes down to people following the rules and The City enforcing them - not having kids ride bikes
 2006 through the playgrounds within the parks where kids are playing. Not having kids using part of the park
 2007 for fist fighting.

2008 Recreational parks need to separate users, particularly active transportation from pedestrian users and
 2009 amenities. City parks are generally well cared for but more attention needed regarding social disorder.
 2010 Parks are also lacking in educational signage and learning opportunities, where appropriate.

2011 Public golf courses serve a small number of citizens and should be converted to public multi-use
 2012 locations. Activities could include children's bike learning sites and adult playgrounds

2013 Where did you come up with the idea parks mitigate climate change? Floods have always happened and
 2014 there's nothing like densifying an area (taking down trees, decreasing yards and shoving in more
 2015 cement) to crank up the heat. Stop trying to push your agenda down our throats.

2016 No more off leash dogs

2017 Clear posted bylaws. Again off leash dogs are an issue- clearer signs and ACTIVE enforcement are
 2018 needed.

2019 Provide amenities but not forget that it is still a park- so in good relationship to the amount of more or
 2020 less organized green space

2021 Bring back the BBQs to Carburn park that were there before the flood.

2022 Na

2023 Would love to see more disc golf parks! Baker is so busy, would be nice to see other parks as nice as it is!

2024 More educational signage and material. Also please connect park systems more including toward
 2025 Cochrane along the river

2026 Add more disc golf courses! Disc golf can be played alone or with a group, it's age appropriate for
 2027 everyone, low impact, low cost. It gets people outdoors for fun events held by the Calgary disc golf club,
 2028 which is a happy group of members who go out of their way to help others.

2029 Your climate change option in the first question is complete garbage. You are trying to brainwash
 2030 people into believing the parks stop climate change. If that was the case then you wouldn't be
 2031 densifying neighbourhoods which eliminates TONS of trees and grass/lawns. Hypocrites!

2032 It would be nice to incorporate more natural elements into recreational parks that can still be interacted
 2033 with.

2034 The city needs to start redesigning spaces with inter-generational living at the forefront. Older
 2035 communities need paths into their parks, updated infrastructure, seating and reasons to go into their
 2036 own greenspaces.

2037 Enforce bylaws, clean up garbage

2038 "I was most impressed when I discovered the skating track in North Glenmore Park.

2039 Maybe more of these with their lovely fires."

2040 Work with appropriate agencies to humanely address encampments; provide better public amenities
 2041 (eg WC) and encourage private amenities (eg cafes). Redesign to create attractive and pleasant spaces
 2042 between the formal facilities so that there's something for everyone, not just participants in official
 2043 activities.

2044 na

2045 More parks and protected green spaces, higher police presence to keep the homeless and drug users
 2046 out of our parks

2047 make more parks to spread out usage, limit development around parks to keep area quieter

2048 See previous comment. We have a well used and enjoyable park (Richmond Green) The city ran the golf
 2049 course into the ground, now wants to sell this 'Regional Park' to developers. They have done this all the
 2050 time ignoring what the community wants. What is worse is they want to give up the ball diamonds
 2051 which are well used and replace them with a City work site. No common sense here.

2052 I understand why parks usually have "no dogs" signage (parasites, bite risk, etc.), but I think it creates
 2053 more issues than it solves, as long as dog owners are responsible (best addressed through peer
 2054 pressure). As a parent, I sometimes have to choose between minding my children or my dog due to
 2055 these rules (or breaking the bylaw). It means I have to tie my dog up or risk my children's safety.

2056 Ensure there's public washrooms, enough garbage cans to keep these spaces clean. Especially for very-
 2057 well used public parks the summer can be hard on them - nobody wants to see garbages overflowing
 2058 and debris in the river ways. It impacts our water and our well-being.

2059 Dedicate enough space for recreational space. Even small green spaces can make a difference.

2060 Increased washroom facilities are crucial for the enjoyment of recreational parks without negative
 2061 impacts on the surrounding environment.

2062 better playground equipment in little community parkettes

2063 I find that the larger number of people are the biggest problem in recreational parks, in multiple ways:
 2064 leaving garbage behind, bikers using walking paths & vice versa, dogs off leash in non- off leash areas,
 2065 and general crowding on pathways and picnic areas.

2066 A quick google search and I found out that we have 61 golf courses in the greater Calgary area. Many of
 2067 these are in valuable riparian habitat and are an ecological burden. Less golf courses, more
 2068 naturalization. Lastly more skateparks!

2069 "1) Clear snow and ice on pathways that connect Fish Creek Provincial Park to Calgary's
 2070 streets/sidewalks.

2071 2) Pedestrian and cycling traffic in-and-out of Fish Creek Provincial Park is concentrated into a finite
 2072 number of connections to Calgary's streets/sidewalks. By definition this raises the potential for vehicle
 2073 conflicts. Review these areas for safety (lighting, signage, speeding, etc.)."

2074 Not enough well placed garbages and dog poo pick up is not enforced. The parks are littered with dog
 2075 poo

2076 Provide rec parks that enhance community spaces and are age appropriate. Update equipment where
 2077 needed and develop/engage partnerships with community residents for action plans. Communicate and
 2078 take residents concerns into account. Provide better accessibility for users of rec parks and signage and
 2079 fines for people who abuse the park amenities but also educate users on appropriate activities.

2080 A better system of public washrooms would be a benefit to the public and make for cleaner parks.
 2081 Improving culture especially around dog care and control is also needed.

2082 Transit is the problem this week, parks will be next week.

2083 Just as they do. Keep it up and beautify it! Great job at Prairie Winds!

2084 Parks need to be kept clean and well maintained.

2085 Disk golf is wonderful, I'd enjoy having more of it in the city

2086 Geese are making the most eastern playing field a complete mess! Their feces makes the grass greasy
2087 and slippery. Should consider allowing dogs to drive the geese away - they do this successfully in other
2088 countries

2089 More parks especial with gardens and disc golf courses

2090 Some things for seniors. Access to food services, washrooms

2091 Weaslehead is negatively affected by the new highway noise. Please work with provincial government to
2092 put sound barriers along highway by weaslehead

2093 Require all pets (i.e. dogs) to be on a leash... and have Bylaw enforce this.

2094 It's a catch 22 about too many people using the park and lack of parking... ex in Bowness it can get very
2095 crowded in a nice summer day. We maybe need more park like Bowness

2096 There should be a shuttle service offered directly to the more popular parks from certain transit stations
2097 or other hubs, to reduce the parking strain, which would run regularly and have space for things like
2098 bikes and strollers.

2099 Continue to update and offer more activities

2100 "The city needs to stop encampments from being set up within our parks. They make parks unsafe and
2101 are a source of litter. The city should ensure working water fountains are available within parks. This
2102 would support active transportation and exercise and help avoid new plastic water bottle waste."

2103 Too many off leash dogs

2104 We are thrilled with the investment in North Glenmore Park. A splash park or water feature would be a
2105 very welcome addition, there are not enough City of Calgary swimming/water play facilities for the
2106 summer.

2107 Keep public washrooms open year-round.

2108 no comment

2109 Focus less on "dog parks" and encourage people to be active with their dogs in parks. Mountain biking,
2110 xC skiing, playing in the water, make well behaved off leash dogs part of our parks instead of stuck in
2111 fields.

2112 Is it possible to make pathways safer for pedestrians (particularly seniors) in winter?

2113 Have them set up with a good balance between recreational activities and "quiet" spaces. Multi use and
2114 varied activities are great. I don't think they're city owned parks, but there are some in the area that
2115 require a full community association pass (ex: Auburn Bay, McKenzie Towne) and I find that excludes a
2116 lot of people that could benefit access to the parks.

2117 Making the information regarding different recreational parks across the city more accessible with
 2118 permitted activities and rules. Social media campaigns, or better signage regarding each specific park on
 2119 a sign at said park

2120 Like I said before. Top priority is dog ownership and cleaning after their dogs. Also, washrooms are nice
 2121 to have.

2122 please ticket a few of the bike riders who think that pathways are there for them to pretend they are in
 2123 the Tour de France.

2124 TEST

2125 Get rid of the disgusting and dangerous used needles and human waste. Remove the aggravated and
 2126 violent homeless people

2127 Most lack washrooms and tables or benches

2128 Many picnic areas are not accessible (need paved access). Too many conflicting pathway uses in high
 2129 traffic areas. Need to separate peds from cyclists in many areas, need to slow cyclists AND mono-scoots.
 2130 Need to finish pathways in many areas. Need to maintain existing pathways in many areas. Need to
 2131 make pathways safer eg north side of Bow passing the Zoo. Less grass, more active amenities.

2132 Too often, our parks are underutilized in terms of social vibrancy, i.e. cafes, plazas, small stages,
 2133 encouraging buskers, etc.

2134 Conversion of tennis courts to accommodate pickle ball isn't working well. Court etiquette and lines on
 2135 the court are disruptive to play for both sports.

2136 Enhance the pathway network with expanded infrastructure, better continuity, and higher levels of
 2137 winter maintenance.

2138 Discretionary noise enforcement (I'm not talking about the natural sounds of people having fun, but the
 2139 unnecessary noise imposed through the use of technology). Perhaps ensure the City isn't promoting
 2140 activities that decrease air quality (eg. fire pits, as opposed to barbeques which are functional and may
 2141 be necessary for a picnic).

2142 Patrolled more police presence. Especially later in the evenings.

2143 "I'm not clear why golf course could not be profitable. The city is often closing them down... perhaps
 2144 new management is required as they are a great asset for any city. Do not close them.. just find a way to
 2145 improve!

2146 Leverage tennis courts for pickleball.. it's now a more popular outdoor sport."

2147 There is a huge discrepancy between how well parks are maintained across the city and what amenities
 2148 are available. For instance, the Northern Hills communities (Coventry Hills, Panorama Hills, Country Hills
 2149 and Harvest Hills) do not contain a single dog park, park with a bathroom, park with a parking lot, etc.

2150 The city doesn't take proper care of these areas, and are also unsafe after dark.

2151 The new bike park in West Confederation looks amazing. The new bbqs in Confed are great. And
 2152 whoever does the planters by the Parks building and at the crosswalk in Confed gives me so much joy!
 2153 Two suggestions - the pathway by the Calgary Curling Club is a skating rink before Memorial. A
 2154 boardwalk or culvert would avoid a lot of slips. And when is the gym equipment being installed by the
 2155 stairs?
 2156 Plant the edges with local vegetation or bushes for people to use because the bathrooms are closed
 2157 Recreational parks could improve by having more public amenities. I've been at soccer practice at a
 2158 recreational park before where I've had to go to a stranger's house to pee. Also, the garbage cans are
 2159 very out of the way most of the time, hence there's sometimes trash on the floor because people don't
 2160 want to walk the extra bit.
 2161 Sustain the good work
 2162 Reminder that bike pathways are just for bikes/wheels, not runners. Bike pathways actually connect to
 2163 rest of city, able to bike to park. More parks need to be created. Perhaps more support for smaller parks
 2164 through community associations. Smaller, family friendly festivals with local live music, not at night so
 2165 children can enjoy. Remove rubber pellets on playground they are horrible.
 2166 Park rangers or other park security on staff and available during peak times in the seasons. More free
 2167 water parks in the deep south for the communities that don't have lake access. Park gardens and more
 2168 environmental programs for kids, teenagers, and even adults.
 2169 Again, more signage for bikes and motorized vehicles.
 2170 See above.
 2171 Clean up the parks and empty the garbage bins instead of allowing them to overflow and spread
 2172 garbage everywhere
 2173 Consider creating more sites like the new peddle park in Charleswood.
 2174 Turn key amenities to support community group events - stages / amphitheaters with power, ability to
 2175 set up movies in the park or small concerts etc. areas for pop up events like food trucks, farmers
 2176 markets and other community level events with low cost entry to use
 2177 Be responsive to complaints about misuse of parks
 2178 The new pumptracks are fantastic and often very busy. More facilities like this would be amazing.
 2179 Better lighting for winter evenings and for safety in inner city parks
 2180 There are lots of homeless camps around rec. parks and along pathways, esp. downtown. A lot of trash
 2181 has ended up in the Bow River this winter, as well, as seen on the ice and now in the water. Both issues
 2182 need to be cleaned up, then prevented in the future. This used to be a low-crime city and one of the
 2183 cleanest in the world. I'm now living with more litter and more crime in downtown Calgary.
 2184 To improve useability in inclement weather - covered areas (large not small like picnic) would be nice for
 2185 enjoying park more often or arranging gatherings, or watching sports in the rain, keep snow off benches
 2186 or tables when visiting in winter. Impromptu plays, concerts like the shells in Fish Creek.

2187 1. The City needs to invest more money into proper maintenance of our parks. 2. I live in the NW and
 2188 have had issues with bobcats in our parks...people have lost pets. Wild life in "recreational parks" should
 2189 be removed.

2190 Need pickleball courts and increased replacement of old kids play parks.

2191 As I described in previous question - clearing the snow and ice and upgrading pathways.

2192 Have at least two (2) in the four quadrants of the city (NE, SE, SW, SE) for close proximity for all
 2193 More Trees

2194 Better care of grassy spaces to reduce weeds. All our nearby grassy spaces are very poor quality. You'd
 2195 never choose to put a blanket down and have a picnic because of the overall weediness and spiky
 2196 quality of the grass (like saw blades) in our area. The grass is so patchy with hard-compacted earth
 2197 showing through.

2198 Electric bikes are dangerously fast within the parks.

2199 Improvements made at parks like Bowness are noticeable; better signage and lighting and more.
 2200 Changes in traffic flow and access to picnic sites at Bowness park are a concern. Overuse is a real
 2201 concern at recreational parks in general, and the inclusion and creation of recreational parks in more
 2202 neighborhoods with facilities that address the needs of a broad population are vital.

2203 I think we need to pay more attention to the upkeep and maintenance of the neighbourhood parks.
 2204 There are irrigation systems installed by developers that never get used once the park is turned over to
 2205 the City. This results in grass that is difficult for small children to play on, and just looks shabby.
 2206 Similarly, shrub beds in many parks are filled with weeds, despite repeated calls to 311

2207 More parks, even small ones would reduce overcrowding somewhat. Water features and lots of trees
 2208 add to the enjoyment of the park.

2209 I live near one small park in my neighbourhood, and it is need of some upgrading. It has one small
 2210 playground, which is lacking, because of the large number of children that live near by. There are 3
 2211 schools within 3 blocks of this green space, so we know the playground is too small. There are not
 2212 enough benches to sit on, or picnic tables as well. Lastly, we need to plant more shade trees.

2213 Dont EVER SELL them again...how could you??? Never divest the City of Park space. Look for
 2214 opportunities to add park space, even just pocket parks, especially in the established areas where you
 2215 seem to be hell bent on adding excessive density. Buy a lot near denser areas and offer it up to a
 2216 community to maintain and you will be surprised what comes of it!

2217 Improve safety especially in inner city parks eg encampments affect use

2218 Losing recreational facilities in the inner city and forcing families to the suburbs. NO to the sale of the
 2219 Richmond Green ball diamonds. With 21000 people approved for Currie, they will be short 65 acres of
 2220 open space and have very limited facilities for families.

2221 Bathrooms and water fountains in Crescent Heights parks.

2222 All-season public washrooms and snack/beverage options would be awesome. Improving access to
 2223 parks to reduce parking/allow people to spread out across the city and not just going to their local park
 2224 as it's the closest.

2225 Garbage, recycling, compost receptacles. Significant fines for littering, destructions of environment and
 2226 intrusive music. Regular patrols by bylaw, peace and police officers. More spaces is better for everyone -
 2227 quality of life improves drastically with easy access to parks, offsetting out need for higher density
 2228 housing moving forward - replace some low density with parks as high density rises.

2229 Continue with the firepit/picnic table reservation system as it worked well for family get togethers.
 2230 Continue the responsible beer/wine consumption in our parks program.

2231 A pamphlet campaign working to 'teach' citizens bylaws that have to do with parks. Pet owners can be
 2232 sent a specific one, using information from pet licensing. The bylaws related to the environment should
 2233 be communicated as well, whether through radio/tv or other platform.

2234 I believe both natural and community parks are a great transportation corridor for bikers. I wish to see
 2235 more connection and wayfinding with other bike routes

2236 Would like to see recreational parks for adults and seniors to work out at.

2237 recreational parks need to be cleaned up! too much garbage. While i feel like people should be cleaning
 2238 up better after themselves...in lieu of that, Can't the city improve the overall maintenance? keeping
 2239 grass cut is also a maintenance issue.

2240 Do not allow encampments to linger in parks. It discourages many users including families from using
 2241 the park when social disorder is allowed to linger

2242 more enforcement for homeless and drug users. More garbage cleanup, especially in SE parks.

2243 More trees and/or shrubs. My closest pathway has shrubs at 1 end and nothing else. So bad for
 2244 environment. More of these will keep people on pathways instead of walking on and destroying the
 2245 grass

2246 More soccer pitches

2247 Keep recreational sites in the inner city, otherwise you force families to the suburbs.

2248 Overuse is a big issue, lack of bookable space during peak season, city reducing overall recreation
 2249 amenities

2250 More green spaces in every community. Safe guard them from being bought

2251 Bylaw signs at all entrances to the recreational parks clearly stating that dogs must be on leash at all
 2252 times.

2253 More policing of disorderly anti-social behaviour. Park areas must be safe for all people to enjoy, but
 2254 that is difficult when park areas are taken over by homeless or drug addicted people. Make sure that
 2255 facilities are in good working order. More frequent garbage collection would be appreciated.

2256 Have bylaw remove people creating social disorder.

2257 PLEASE put in shade structures and water fountains! Our summers are getting so hot. It feels unsafe to
 2258 be in the blaring sun at a playground with children and there is no shade or water fountains.

2259 We do not need more golf parks. We need parks where people can easily participate in groups
 2260 recreation activities, like basketball, football, playgrounds for the small children, working with the
 2261 communities to organize small tournaments involving the neighborhoods, and again educating the
 2262 people about our responsibility of maintain the parks clean and good shape

2263 "Waste, recycling and compost bins at these parks. Community notices about actives avaliable at their
 2264 parks (winter/summer activites) More large park space with playgrounds, some parks - like North
 2265 Glenmore, are overwhelmed with people on warm weekends"

2266 Add more parks and more trees, people need more spaces to escape one another. Pick up the garbage
 2267 more often, there are too many over flowing garbage cans

2268 More garbage cans. Banning cyclists from certain areas and enforcing speed limits so pedestrians are
 2269 safe.

2270 Enforce bylaws

2271 Parkdale playground looks like an 80s memorial. Plus it is too close to the corner of a busy intersection.
 2272 Little kids kick balls into the road. If u modernize it, consider a short fence (just a few feet) to increase
 2273 safety + decrease stress for parents + drivers. Also all the trees are suckering + look shitty. Add more
 2274 trees + modern benches + gazebos to parks. St Pats Island park is FAB!!!!

2275 Would love to see natural areas incorporated into recreational parks.

2276 Build a public access lake in the north side of the city

2277 My park has picnic benches which were allowed to deteriorate until they were dangerous and I made a
 2278 complaint. There are no washrooms.

2279 more furniture - passive recreation / water to counter increase foot traffic and increase probability trees
 2280 will live / more trees/ control the weeds !

2281 Create quiet zones away from active areas.

2282 Too many people that are not treating the areas with proper respect.

2283 Need more diverse variety of activities downtown. There's a serious lack of parks designed for
 2284 teenagers/adults. Everything is designed for children and old people. All just flat grass with random
 2285 paths running through them or children's playground equipment. Where are the parks with outdoor
 2286 fitness equipment (pullup bars, challenge course, strength training, etc.)? Basketball/soccer/chess?

2287 Would like to see more disc golf near city center

2288 More bike paths to link green spaces. Crack down on drug users in parks.

2289 Up keep is main concern - lots of garbage now

2290 "Accommodate modern activities of youth. Skate, board, ride, pump, dig, build etc. Youth need spaces
 2291 they can play without damaging natural parks."

2292 Making it clear where dogs can be and if leash is required.

2293 The Douglas fir trail has been neglected for years. It desperately needs attention.

2294 More frequent repair of facilities and signage, washrooms pathways etc.

2295 more naturalized spaces

2296 STOP REMOVING PLAYGROUNDS JUST BECAUSE YOUR STAFF CHOSE NOT TO DO THEIR JOB AND
 2297 MAINTAIN THEM PROPERLY!! Yup, yelling for a reason! You could also empty the garbage cans in these
 2298 parks on a more regular basis so there aren't piles of garbage around the overflowing bins.

2299 More spaces for outdoor swimming. More spaces for toddlers

2300 Maybe a park could be assigned to a service club to look after e.g. Lions, Rotary, Kinsmen, Scouts/Guides

2301 By monitoring the activity, perhaps fining people for littering etc.

2302 Having people come in to clean the parks/playgrounds sometimes? I'm not sure if this is done at all, but
 2303 it would be nice.

2304 Parks need to be activated for educational and social activities to increase usage.

2305 Maintenance, maintenance, maintenance!!!!

2306 Maintenance and staff on-site like park wardens.

2307 I commute by bike through fish creek regularly - the pavement is in terrible condition in spots,
 2308 sealing/filling cracks adjacent to Deer Run and south would be super helpful. The current condition is
 2309 jarring on equipment and bodies and takes much of the joy out of a ride.

2310 Parks needs a sustainability strategy for all the new and emerging recreation activities and sports. It's
 2311 unsustainable to try and accommodate everything for everybody.

2312 Lack of trees planted in our parks. Trees cut down. Trees planted and not watered. No bathrooms so
 2313 have to go in other places.

2314 You can do a lot to create dual use infrastructure. Example: A soil/grass sound berm (cheaper than a
 2315 concrete sound wall) with a linear "pump track" for mountain bikes along the East side of Sarcee
 2316 between Richmond Road and 17th Ave by Optimist park. Reduces traffic noise in Glendale and
 2317 Glenbrook, creates a new recreational amenity.

2318 Enforce the dog rules. Too many dog owners ignore them.

2319 More MATURE trees, NO dogs, less concrete

2320 GET MORE! MORE greenspace, more pathways, more connectedness between neighbourhoods! There
 2321 is a very concerning trend in the inner city of removing every tree from a former R1's and throwing up a
 2322 giant condo with no trees. Inner city is losing not only greenspace, trees, but also recreation, just as the
 2323 demand for parks, space and rec is increasing. We have lost baseball, golf, whats next!

2324 The City has some great larger dog parks. Unfortunately we drive daily for 20 min (one way) to
 2325 Southland dog park as it is the closest secured dog park. I would recommend all new developments are

2326 walkable to a smaller dog park that is ideally attached to a shopping complex. This would increase
 2327 walking in the neighborhood, meeting neighbors, more time spent at local businesses.

2328 Wider pathways might be nice, as it's hard when cycling to get through large groups that take up the
 2329 whole pathway.

2330 Monitor the condition of parks. Too often there are dogs running loose or dog waste left behind.
 2331 Garbages need to be emptied before they are overflowing. Better signage along the pathways showing
 2332 mileage, destinations, etc. (like the ones at the Glenmore Weaselhead parking lot). More washrooms
 2333 along the river pathway. Working water fountains!

2334 I'll basically always suggest more facilities. Specifically washrooms and trash cans, I feel there's almost
 2335 no washrooms ever, I know they cost a lot to maintain but I think it's worth it. Only if they're actually
 2336 maintained though.

2337 Clean up homeless encampments in parks to make more safe for families.

2338 I know everyone is into different things, but I don't feel like golf courses are the best use of land. I would
 2339 also like to see more rental opportunities when it comes to much of these activities.

2340 Better maintenance of smaller parks

2341 Build some nice recreational parks in the north central part of the city so that we don't have to drive to
 2342 Bowness or Prairie Winds.

2343 More seating, picnic tables, firepits.

2344 More signs for spaces where people cannot have dogs off leash. I just want to walk at a park -Murdoch
 2345 in Bridgeland and people's dogs are running all over the soccer field

2346 A better way to see if parks are being used for organized activities

2347 Must be able to walk and ride

2348 Clean, reliable, year round washrooms

2349 Need more parks in North Central Calgary

2350 More informative signage would be nice - either about wildlife, but also educating people on how to do
 2351 their part to preserve parks.

2352 Your above questions say "Select UP to 5" but you force 5 selections. This pretty much invalidates the
 2353 survey because your forcing people to select answers they may not want.

2354 Enforce leash laws strictly

2355 better signage telling pedestrians and cyclists to watch out for each other. it's a huge issue at Stanley
 2356 park because of design but also the city in general because not everyone uses their bike bell to notify
 2357 people

2358 Parks don't offer multiple activities. For example, my street has a playground for kids and a large open
 2359 green space that could be used for other activities but it currently sits unused. This is a common thing
 2360 across the city.

2361 Shared off leash parks don't work. Dog owners think they have priority over users. Dogs interfere with
 2362 picnics. Bylaws and fines are not enforceable making them ineffective. Owners do not always clean up
 2363 feces. If shared parks continue, they must be clearly identified on the off leash map and rules for shared
 2364 parks clearly defined.

2365 Educate and what to do when conflict over spaces (eg. booked vs not), keep pathways clear all year
 2366 round for walking/running/cycling, perhaps rules around noise (eg. music via ear buds/headphones only
 2367 so everyone can enjoy the quiet/sounds of nature), what to do/who to call for
 2368 disturbances/harassment/illegal behaviour

2369 All city parks need full accessibility

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2371 9. Which of the following aspects of culture in Calgary's parks are most important to you?
 2372 Select up to five - OTHER OPTION
 2373

2374 None of the above are very important to me.

2375 Sports and relaxation

2376 Enjoying nature.

2377 What is a cultural landscape?

2378 Playground space for children to play safely

2379 Heritage Park plays an important role

2380 Supporting mindfulness and mental health activities , if necessary utilizing the existing book systems in
 2381 place.

2382 Don't attend these events.

2383 I prefer to have natural outdoor spaces, free from any cultural events or components.

2384 None of the above

2385 Cultural experiences are not important to me.

2386 I enjoy the parks mostly for lifestyle. Playing sports meeting up with family and friends, enjoying
 2387 outdoors

2388 I rarely, if ever, use greenspaces for any of the reasons above.

2389 Culture is personal and I don't expect the city to invest in such diverse needs

2390 Music events, celebrations like Canada Day

2391 I resent the inclusion of economic aspects regarding parks. The parks are actually on stolen land,
 2392 where is that acknowledged? Are these "parks" shared with the local Indigenous peoples?

2393 I enjoy events like the Calgary folk festival.. we are one human race living in a shared space. I'm not sure
 2394 why we spend so much time celebrating different cultures as that continues to divide us. Celebrate the
 2395 melting pot that is lovely CANADA!

2396 Playing football, walking the dog & defacing the ugly art.

2397 Ecology and environmental stewardship

2398 Not relevant to me.

2399 A way to do take part in truth and reconciliation by recognizing the original caretakers of these spaces
 2400 and honoring treaty 7 nations

2401 Boost peoples' fitness and general health by encouraging people to go outside.

2402 won't let me choose less than 5

2403 Stampede events

2404 Cemeteries also provide nature, leisure - should be opened up

2405 selected so I could advance to next set of questions

2406 Don't want to pick any of these

2407 I feel nature doesn't need culture. Just good design to accentuate nature's natural beauty

2408 Access to nature

2409 I don;t want to pick 5 and the template will not let me move on in the survey unless I do - push pole?

2410 mountain biking and dog walking

2411 By requiring 5 responses this survey has real biases that should be captured as significant margins for
 2412 error. Expect this to be reported on as a percentage of inaccurate citizen opinions.

2413 Celebration of nature, peace and quiet

2414 Forced to pick five, I don't really care about cemeteries.

2415 "I couldn't care less about the cultural aspect" appears to be missing from this question

2416 The Archeological Discoveries along Nose Creek. Elder tours.

2417 Up to 5!!!

2418 10. Which concerns do you have about the cultural aspects of Calgary's parks? Select up
 2419 to five. – OTHER OPTION

2420 I have come across personal/informal memorials (for humans and for pets) in parks as well as religious
 2421 artifacts (i.e. small statues) that have been informally placed in parks. I am not opposed to those who

2422 wish to celebrate their culture or a loved one in a park; however, no personally improvised artifacts
 2423 should be left behind in public parks.

2424 Over use and lack of respect for biodiversity on park land

2425 Events are very geared towards left politics that don't represent the majority of Calgarians.

2426 Lack of cultural events

2427 Drug addicts are taking over some of these spaces.

2428 Some activities such large music festivals hinder park use by other people for other activities.

2429 Bylaw infractions - e.g. people parking inappropriately (especially on green areas), people with off-leash
 2430 dogs where not appropriate

2431 Overall maintenance and wear and tear on the parks from cultural celebrations in park..

2432 because of weather we need more cover areas

2433 General safety in some parks, drug use, etc.

2434 Abuse of the parks themselves.

2435 Too noisy

2436 Public safety in public areas, including parks, is becoming an issue.

2437 I am concerned that there will not be enough pollinator gardens.

2438 Lack of bathroom facilities and garbage cans for larger events

2439 Some of the issues being suggested speak to the explosive population growth of the City and urban
 2440 sprawl with insufficient planning for the outdoor park needs of the community. Too much high density
 2441 and not enough consideration for the outdoor needs. Refreshing the parks plan ONLY every 20 years is a
 2442 joke. More regular scrutiny of new community development plans is imperative before buildings get
 2443 constructed. Asking for public input into parks after much of the available land has been built up with
 2444 buildings is clearly too late.

2445 Crime in parks, drug use for example

2446 There are no parks in the far north

2447 Some larger events have created sound pollution several communities over. It has been enough to drive
 2448 my family away from family friendly festivals when the music is loud enough to make my children
 2449 uncomfortable even on the far end of an event.

2450 No public washrooms in some places and if so, they're only open for short lengths of time in the summer
 2451 months.

2452 Social disorder

2453 Garbage, homeless people and drug/alcohol use are my biggest concerns in any parks for any reason.

2454 I'm not aware of which parks are cultural parks

2455 There needs to be enforcement of how loud these events get.

2456 As a Dutch-Canadian, the mobility infrastructure in parks is one of the few safe spaces to express my
2457 culture.

2458 Safety. Preservation.

2459 Please don't implement a program that makes parks just another place to shop. Food kiosks and places
2460 to purchase small items associated with a cultural event -- fine. Small business operators selling their
2461 wares unrelated to a cultural even would just add to the overcrowding and create yet more conflicting
2462 uses.

2463 Affordability for all is an issue, events in city parks should be relatively affordable (if not free).

2464 I feel accessibility issues could prevent elderly or mobility challenged individuals from participating in
2465 culture events.

2466 Cost of events for both participants and presenters

2467 The "cultural" aspects of city parks (like the signage related to the Blackfoot worldview) on Nose Hill) are
2468 negatively impacted by dogs and/or feces found in abundance in parks.

2469 can't choose less than 5

2470 Cost of events

2471 This entire questionnaire looks to be flawed. If I click on "I don't have any concerns," it won't let me
2472 progress to the next section as it requires 5 boxes to be checked off -- this will skew the data as now I
2473 need to select items I wouldn't have normally selected.

2474 I don't have any concerns, but your form tells me that I have to select 5. Ignore the others

2475 Again, poorly designed questionnaire forcing me to choose 5 concerns whether I have these concerns or
2476 not,

2477 Lack of information and awareness about important Indigenous landmarks, cultural sites, etc.

2478 UP TO FIVE :(

2479 i dont have any concerns I needed to choose 5 tho.

2480 Most of those celebrations are located downtown and we don't feel secure

2481 selected so I can advance to next set of questions

2482 There are not 5 answers I want to choose. This question is forcing people to pick answers they do not
2483 want

2484 Too many special interest groups have priority, I.e. reverse discrimination.

2485 I don't care about anyones culture (including mine) in a park. I am out for the beauty and exercise.

2486 N/a

2487 don't have 5

2488 I don't have any concerns but this survey forced me to select five. I'd like free parking for cultural
2489 events.

2490 Severe lack of contemporary art or art that is relatable to younger generations. All the physical public art
2491 in this city is always centered around animals/natives/old white people or just insulting (big blue ring).

2492 I do not really see "culture" to be a a prime function of what I call a park.

2493 needed 5 answers

2494 Definitions of culture not clear

2495 Security....feeling safe to attend functions

2496 Again, I'm being forced to choose 5 things, but I really don't have concerns at all

2497 na

2498 NOISE is a HUGE concern for anyone close to festivals. Bylaw exceptions and lack of City enforcing on
2499 itself are huge community concerns.

2500 I have to select 5

2501 5..terriblebsurvey

2502 There are no parks in the north central/northern hills that are able to hold cultural events.

2503 Qwwert

2504 None. I had to choose 5?

2505 Had to get to five

2506 I'm deeply concerned by the product created by whoever authored this webform. Who are you? Are
2507 you okay?

2508 Nose Creek First Nation History is being lost through development. It could be preserved with a park.

2509 I only wanted to select one

2510 none

2511

2512 [11. Please share your ideas for how Calgary can improve parks that connect you to](#)
2513 [culture- past, present and future?](#)

2514 I really like the more festivals, cultural events we have, looking forward to Lilac fest, miss sun and salsa
2515 (kensington), I like that Lilac fest has been expanded onto 17th ave a bit. More cultural/music events
2516 please.

2517 I believe multi-channel advertising is needed on a more frequent bases in order to capture the attention
 2518 of Calgarians. There are too many competing events/ads so frequency of ads will help get the word out.

2519 Currently there is little education on Nose Hill and the cultural significance. Attending the Cultural
 2520 Landscapes and learned a lot.

2521 When it comes to parks, I'm more interested in connecting with nature than with culture. So the only
 2522 thing I can suggest is perhaps signage to educate me about some of the flora and fauna with regard to
 2523 their importance in First Nations culture (and perhaps medicinal uses).

2524 Bring back and steward native plants and biodiversity

2525 I am part of the cohort of landscape architecture students at UofC who recently studied Nose Creek, a
 2526 valley that currently is facing risk of being engulfed by industrial development proposals with the 128th
 2527 Ave expansion cutting through the valley. I feel this space is at risk of being ruined, losing intense history
 2528 and multiple natural services and resources.

2529 Use the princes island stage more

2530 None

2531 To be honest, this is NOT something that is particularly important to me.

2532 I've lived in Calgary for 18 months and I have no awareness of Calgary connecting folks to culture. This
 2533 has to be one of the least "cultured" cities in Canada. 311 tells me that the city doesn't have a budget to
 2534 clean trash in greenspaces. Given that, it would be great if the city had a separate body (not Calgary
 2535 Parks), with a budget to focus on culture in the city (and do more than just murals)

2536 Creating a type of 'Hub' that provides these pieces of information/learning/upcoming events etc.

2537 I never know when events are happening until it's too late. Also affordability is a barrier.

2538 avoid referencing individual cultures in a public space, i.e. be flexible / generic

2539 Unfortunately, an issue facing many of the downtown parks that are frequently dedicated to cultural
 2540 events is the litter afterwards, and unfortunately the safety component (e.g. as a woman, I've been
 2541 harassed in many of the downtown parks, and don't always feel safe visiting them eg there is an absence
 2542 of security and often aggressive individuals/open substance use).

2543 Information about the history of the park, the plants, animals and people, indigenous and early
 2544 explorers.

2545 Preservation of historical buildings, sites as well as information on them on site and/or website.
 2546 Locations outside of downtown for cultural events. Better parking or transportation to them

2547 No comments here.

2548 Market events to broader audiences

2549 If you do anything to celebrate a culture that is not in line with specific ideologies, you will be screamed
 2550 at and attacked by individuals in masks. Cops don't care and the city seems to prefer it this way. Calgary
 2551 is no longer the city that I remember growing up in.

2552 More effective advertising

2553 Promote areas to be used as they would have been prior to the arrival of Europeans

2554 I enjoy the parks I visit

2555 How about more fairs for businesses like farmer markets; I like that there are cultural celebrations -
2556 encourage more! Keep parks safe and clean even if there are many visitors

2557 Signage & displays. Have information about parks at libraries.

2558 Have better advertising; sometimes I don't know about events happening in the city

2559 More publicity is needed for special events in parks. Various cultural events need to be promoted for the
2560 benefit of all Calgarians. It is important that all cultures be respected in Calgary. This will invite more
2561 tourism. The city can promote more outdoor musical events.

2562 Eliminate the city funding and hosting of drag shows for children on city property/ in city spaces

2563 More parks, less density. Discourage groups from "taking over" parks with pop up tents, etc. Makes it
2564 feel competitive and less of a commons.

2565 I appreciate the various cultural activities put on in Calgary. I find parking to be an issue.

2566 I'm not actually sure I understand what is meant by this idea of cultural parks

2567 Queens park cemetery is beautiful. Would be nice to maintain a nice scattering garden with more
2568 blooming tree,perennials, benches, and don't hind the garden behind trees as if it needs to be hidden. It
2569 is an affordable way for families to scater their loved ones . Try to make it look nicer. My parents plaque
2570 was stolen along with others.

2571 Costs

2572 Grants to host more cultural events. Would be great to promote celebration of cultures in public spaces,
2573 especially on the Independence Day of those countries!

2574 Promote them better, and keep the drug addicts out of them.

2575 Better advertising and signage across all type of culture. Better website information and better signage
2576 in parks

2577 Ethnic events to present a specific culture; information on historical cultural uses.

2578 I really enjoy reading the plaques that teach about the landscape

2579 I really enjoyed the medicine wheel when I went to Nose Hill once (It's far from me so I don't go there
2580 often). I was glad to have signage there so I knew what I was experiencing. When there is a place with
2581 cultural significance, signage is great so we can learn about it.

2582 These spaces aren't well advertised, educational signage in the space may be helpful

2583 Calgary should have a larger emphasis on our parks and green space. It was something that was dearly
2584 missed during covid and easily forgotten in the aftermath. Work with your other community institutions

2585 and make the time to meet with these people. Give them the time to gather information too and invite
 2586 them to be involved. Talk with our indigenous leaders and elders. Be open and willing to listen

2587 Small information centres

2588 "Advertisement of City of Calgary events needs to be better. There are so many events and programs
 2589 that are underattended because no one knows about them!

2590 Making the City website easier to search and navigate, posting City events in one easily accessed
 2591 location, utilizing online event platforms (facebook, eventbrite, etc.) would help"

2592 With our diverse population it would be nice to create mini cultural parks along the Rotary Mattamy
 2593 Greenway.

2594 Inclusive parks are ideal for our well-being. Please don't segregate into groups, it leads to division and
 2595 hate. Thank you.

2596 A notice board that identifies cultural events as you walk into the park would be appreciated

2597 "Fireworks on summer Canada Day.

2598 Art /Photograph Show & Sale on Summer Weekends.

2599 Outdoor Concert"

2600 Na

2601 More parks that have cultural plantings, design etc. More consideration for how different cultures may
 2602 recreate and ability to perhaps use fields for multiple sports and/or events.

2603 Is there a park events page / calendar on city website?

2604 I'd like to see more information about pre-european cultures in this area

2605 Protect cemeteries from bringing defaced through vandalism and homeless camping.

2606 The city of calgary is taking parks away ie. richmond green

2607 Let's see the City initiate solar power combined with battery storage installations at a number of schools
 2608 in each of our 4 quadrants. What a great future oriented investment & learning opportunity for adults &
 2609 students alike.

2610 we need more community areas , or just cover splace and easily acceseble

2611 More historical education opportunities

2612 "Connecting to my culture - none.

2613 Connecting and support mental health and mindfulness activities, see comments."

2614 Would love to know more about events and how to host them too if i want to.

2615 advertise when there are cultural and community events in the parks - each park has an app that you
 2616 download and can see what is going on there.

2617 Someone asked for a list of events held at Prince's Island Park and no one was able to provide a
 2618 comprehensive listing.

2619 Make events more affordable to lower income Calgarians

2620 less culture more park

2621 more marketing about Calgary events in general , adding more cultural art as well

2622 -

2623 Cultural ambassadors on site to welcome people and give guided tours

2624 Crest more parks.

2625 should all be free

2626 learn how to actually advertise events. Most of the time when I've attended events at cultural parks it
 2627 was because I just happened to be in that area with no idea the events were going on.

2628 keep the good work, increase indigenous participation in planning and acting

2629 Better advertising for cultural events taking place

2630 Signage for historical monuments, types of birds species, Alberta history of the land years prior also the
 2631 types of flowers and trees.

2632 It is wonderful to see our parks so richly used and enjoyed by diverse groups.

2633 More trees

2634 Some events are only promoted to surrounding communities even though there are some in other
 2635 communities of that culture that would attend. Also, lack of awareness of cultural parks/memorial sites.
 2636 Have stumbled across some I didn't even know existed.

2637 Always great to have more free events. Allowing for discounted rates for cultural and arts organizations
 2638 if they are not charging admission.

2639 I think just better organization

2640 "More accessible for families with children, if the event is too crowded, it's hard to navigate and enjoy.

2641 More advertisement and public awareness of current and upcoming events."

2642 A park website with info in events, Twitter and promoting events in news media (660 news, cbc Calgary,
 2643 CTV news etc.)

2644 My concern is the city won't provide adequate funding to maintain once built. City has \$52 million for
 2645 EnMax legacy parks program this year. Above the \$30 M dividend provided by EnMax. Where is this
 2646 money going.

2647 Unsure

2648 More info boards giving the history of the park and/or adjoining community

2649 More information on what is where.

2650 More signage explaining the historical and cultural connections of various groups to the different parks

2651 We require proper cultural event space. It feels that cultural events seem to be "crammed" into cultural
2652 spaces

2653 In my view, First Nations culture is deserving to be highlighted permanently in our parks. The ancestors
2654 of current First Nations citizens lived on this land for ages. I am very interested in First Nations cultural
2655 legacy within Calgary and want to see this highlighted where it may be. Nose Hill Park is an example that
2656 I know of. I would also like to see the pioneers who built Calgary highlighted.

2657 More public art in city parks would be nice to see.

2658 Visible security at all events attended in parks by significant numbers of people.

2659 Parks have no culture at the moment.

2660 Keep parks open for cultural activities as long as they are fully inclusive and welcoming to all. It's
2661 important to ensure all users are respected and there is space for calgarians to celebrate cultures and
2662 histories and to celebrate what makes Calgary a great place to live.

2663 Increased access on public transit

2664 Most events are not seniors friendly. I don't go to folk fest anymore because of cost, lack of parking, no
2665 place to sit and rest (can't sit on ground)

2666 All this stuff about "celebrating my own culture" when talking about parks!? Other than cultural festivals
2667 like the latino or turkish festival and others... I do not think that a park should be the permanent home
2668 of others' cultures, or my own... wearing lederhosen? I see parks as places to exercise, enjoy nature, the
2669 open air, beautiful gardens, relaxation etc.

2670 I am mainly concerned with historical preservation of sites.

2671 Offering diverse programs with good advertising to give people the chance to take part. Could use the
2672 monthly community newsletter for this. And including many different cultures not just a select few.

2673 have more parks to include diverse cultures that represent the demographic status of Calgary.

2674 Some of the activities are too expensive !!

2675 I don't have any ideas

2676 Advertise them better. I didn't even know y'all had cultural events

2677 Advertising and improving city-wide public transport.

2678 I'm a bit concerned for events such as the LGBTQ+ Pride Parade this year, considering people's protests
2679 about drag shows, for example. I would like to see a stronger police presence this year there, ideally.

2680 Please plant pollinator gardens.

2681 Nose Creek has so much rich history and there is a great opportunity to preserve this land and highlight
 2682 the erratic. Do not let this space get destroyed.

2683 Again, I genuinely do not believe the city will listen to concerns unless you are of certain culture.

2684 We need more event spaces for art and performance. There are very few stages for performances in
 2685 parks. Other cities have small concerts and performances in their parks, but other than princes island,
 2686 Calgary has none.

2687 I m a white minority.

2688 Public awareness goes beyond social media posts. Also when the city shares information they should
 2689 also advise as to ways to get there/park/transit etc most events come across as exclusive and therefore
 2690 the general public stays away

2691 Cultural landscapes that reflect Calgary's multi-cultural population would be lovely! An increase in
 2692 Indigenous-centred landscapes, as well as cultural landscapes that celebrate multiculturalism would be a
 2693 great learning experience and would encourage inclusion and reconciliation.

2694 Off-leash dogs are a threat to: wildlife, other pets that are on their leash, children and adults. Rules need
 2695 to be established, signage posted and enforcement established/practiced to curb this growing threat.
 2696 Please also establish more dog specific parks where people can take their dogs and legally let them off-
 2697 leash.

2698 I never seem to know about cultural events far enough in advance to attend. Maybe more advertising
 2699 well ahead and then again closer to the event on social media...?

2700 Make Nose Creek a park

2701 Public transportation is too costly for a family generally cheaper to drive and park for these events. Such
 2702 a missed opportunity. Love the winter city events.

2703 Over use is a big concern. The health of the park and trees should be the first priority. The city should be
 2704 more focused on creating liveable spaces with lots of green space rather than more festivals. It become
 2705 wearisome. Citizens need more green space and fewer festivals

2706 preserve these parks as natural outdoor spaces , they are not athletic parks

2707 Set a standard for allowable decibel levels especially for family friendly events and events near
 2708 residential areas

2709 I'm not sure parks need to be in the business of celebrating cultures unless they relate to Aboriginal
 2710 culture. There are plenty of facilities in this city that do that. I think you should stick to maintaining
 2711 parks to the highest level - too much needs to be done in the parks that isn't being done.

2712 "Offer a Music in the Park program where local musicians can showcase their talent and the public can
 2713 enjoy an afternoon in the outdoors.

2714 Pay musician by donation."

2715 We should have more events and concerts in some of our cultural spaces

2716 I enjoy interpretive panels, if culture and education is the focus, more would be nice. Also consider that
 2717 not everyone has a car and access to parks is often difficult via transit. Parks should be seen as a
 2718 destination in themselves. Have trains stop at a park would make a lot of sense to me.

2719 A central repository for cultural and other events for all parks. Better amenities during high volume
 2720 events. More events that celebrate Calgary, Alberta, the natural environment and historical themes.

2721 I think there is plenty of access

2722 In most cases the parks and the people itself do the work in the sense that they are a place for
 2723 contemplation and celebration.

2724 More community events

2725 Please support more interpretive signage, art, and programming. Commerce is also culture, so more
 2726 space for cafes etc would be great.

2727 na

2728 Better protection of sites. More trash bins and toilets.

2729 I can't afford to attend most events, not accessible for middle income larger families (2+ children).

2730 Updated and accessible web sites.

2731 More preservation, better information.

2732 There are some great music festivals in the city but most are priced out of the range of a lot of low
 2733 income and senior residents. I often don't hear about smaller cultural events until after the fact.

2734 Promote activities better through the communities and publicly. Provide maps for alternate parking and
 2735 suggested routes/parking spaces. Provide better education through signage in park spaces that are a
 2736 form of function and art.

2737 Some parks are inaccessible by public transit but accessible via pathways (seasonally).

2738 Improve awareness of events, make them affordable, and increase safety

2739 Interpretive signage is helpful.

2740 Transportation, advertising. Usually find out about things the next day of the event

2741 Require all pets (i.e. dogs) to be leashed... and have Bylaw enforce.

2742 Better advertising and promotion

2743 Much better communication about what culture park and where they are and what they offer

2744 Public park spaces are being renamed to erase our history and culture, often by people who no little
 2745 about history and who take our history and culture out of context. We need to stop woke renamings of
 2746 shared cultural properties, including parks.

2747 No dogs

2748 I have no comments as I am not of a specific cultural group. I do enjoy and appreciate that events can
 2749 occur in our parks.

2750 I would like to be able to learn more about indigenous culture, and all of these parks are historical
 2751 indigenous lands.

2752 Education on dog ownership on city parks, picking up after their dogs

2753 TEST

2754 There are many cultures in the world - why not try celebrating canadian culture from time to time?

2755 Green space and culture are not particularly connected for me. However, could be for others.

2756 Enhance the active modes network to provide continuous and safe access to parks. Much of the bicycle
 2757 and pedestrian network requires passage through areas dominated by motor vehicles.

2758 "More music and artistic festivals. Celebrate Canadian culture not the culture of other countries and
 2759 older minority cultures like Indigenous. We need to move forward to celebrate the beautiful place
 2760 called Calgary. (There is a good reason why people want to immigrate to Canada)

2761

2762 Using parks as a place to reflect

2763 the pains of the past and differences of race will only divide."

2764 Have more events like GlobalFest that bring people to parks that they may not have otherwise gone to
 2765 or even known about. This isn't really a centralized city, so stop planning like it is.

2766 Was not aware these existed

2767 The new lift station by the Curling Club would be a great place for signage about upcoming events on
 2768 Prince's Island.

2769 As previously stated, smaller, low key community based festivals. With musis. During family friendly
 2770 hours.

2771 More art from local artists, changing the art throughout the year/offering competitions and other
 2772 opportunities for artists of all cultural backgrounds, not paying exorbitant prices to artists who have no
 2773 connection to Calgary, letting the community choose their favourite art, more little free libraries. Having
 2774 free cultural days/weekend in the parks to help others learn who their neighbours are.

2775 Seem to spend money on areas where houses are more expensive.

2776 "I'd love to see

2777 More community events like movies in local parks or small scale farmers markets etc"

2778 Defund the arts

2779 Establish key parks for regular event activities and build the infrastructure to support them. Ensure you
 2780 have all the right amenities and minimize the amount of temporary infrastructure needed with

2781 supporting services considered. Create a functional calendar for all events in Calgary to be posted to see
 2782 what is happening in the city

2783 No comments

2784 encourage festivals in different areas of the city - south, nw, ne, not just downtown parks

2785 Do you understand how main cultures in Calgary want to use public space? Then have parks set up to
 2786 support these special activities - tai chi, dancing, celebrations of life etc. is there any special amenities
 2787 they need and ensure these are mapped out so people now how to find them?

2788 "More permanent cultural exhibits in parks.

2789 Advertising events way before they happen. I normally find out about events the day of on the news."

2790 Have organized cultural celebration for the different cultural backgrounds in the city. It can be quarterly
 2791 or yearly but different cultures each time.

2792 More Trees

2793 Create opportunities for the communities to come together, such as providing transportation for
 2794 citizens who are without a means, as well as a place to park if you do have a vehicle, that is not too far
 2795 from the park. Accessibility for everyone is so important, able bodied or disabled, all citizens should
 2796 have complete freedom to enjoy our green spaces.

2797 More education programs to connect Calgarians to heritage including Indigenous history

2798 Use the Richmond Green ball diamonds for cultural events rather than development.

2799 N/A for me - mostly enjoy outdoor spaces for outdoor spirituality and mental health. Only impact there
 2800 is intrusive music that offers no choices but to participate in (soft music for a picnic makes sense - being
 2801 able to hear bass 100m away does not).

2802 Why not a beer garden in Lindsay Park in the summer? The City could offer a rotating list of local
 2803 breweries space in the park throughout the summer. Park is instantly more active and lively, nuisance
 2804 drinking is better controlled and patrolled because of the increased park use in a responsible manner,
 2805 and local businesses increase exposure to market and diversify revenue streams.

2806 Get off leash dogs out of parks! There's too many irresponsible dog owners who don't control their
 2807 animal(s), don't clean up poop and then make for an unusable mess for all the rest of us!

2808 I live next to nose hill and we host a run every Saturday. I don't have good transit/bike access to
 2809 downtown so it is difficult for me to hear about or attend downtown events

2810 More information boards and artwork.

2811 I wish Public Transportation to some of the City parks was easier! The bike path system is handy but not
 2812 everyone has the skills, tools or time to bike to park space.

2813 Keep the costs down

2814 N/A

2815 Events like "Shakespeare in the Park" were fantastic. It's nice to enjoy cultural events in an outdoor
 2816 setting.

2817 Perhaps a webpage with a map dedicated specifically to providing information about important
 2818 Indigenous sites. I would love to know which parts of the city are significant to which Indigenous
 2819 nations, some historical facts about those areas, etc.

2820 in the above question you still have to select 5 items, even if you choose that 'I don't have any
 2821 concerns'.....what?

2822 Utilize spaces for events that aren't in central Calgary - or move events each year or so (when possible)
 2823 to promote learning about different parks as well

2824 Create new culture specific parks but please do not destroy any existing green space

2825 Time for the city of Calgary to stop using taxpayer dollars to promote special interest groups. People
 2826 need to take responsibility for their own sense of culture.

2827 In my suburban neighbourhood there is no information about the cultural history of the area.
 2828 signage for heritage sites.

2829 I don't have any concerns about cultural spaces but I'm forced to select five.

2830 YYCBump is a step in the right direction for contemporary art but I would like more physical public art
 2831 headed towards that direction also. Something like Millennium Park in Chicago where they have
 2832 architectural pavilions or world famous sculptures that bring tourists from around the globe to see.

2833 Crack down on protesters.

2834 More information on indigenous culture/places would be welcome. Using indigenous names/signage for
 2835 parks/areas

2836 A map of different cultural parks would be great. I'm not aware of very many in the city
 2837 knowing about it and access

2838 For past, informational plaques. For Current, advertise the events in advance and in the affected park.
 2839 For Future STOP REMOVING PLAYGROUNDS and just maintain them properly. A paint job every 13 years
 2840 is unacceptable.

2841 Keep them restricted to places like Prices Island, Bowness, Glenmore Park etc. Avoid more natural
 2842 ecosystem settings.

2843 Keeping the protestors, homeless people away. More security at events

2844 Continue your work exploring and expanding this area

2845 Maintenance, maintenance, maintenance!!!

2846 The commercial use of parks for profit is a concern when they do not maintain an overall public interest.
 2847 Tourism is not a concern. Profits from commercial uses and very low rents should roll back into park
 2848 maintenance and wardens to offset the increased intensity of these activities.

2849 the survey says check "up to" 5, but when i select the one or two that are important to me, the rest are
 2850 just filler - i dont affiliate city parks with cultural heritage/celebration

2851 More parking/safe storage for bikes at these events

2852 Historical markers, history of the parks, better signage, would be great, unfortunately stolen markers,
 2853 plaques etc are an issue.

2854 More MATURE trees and celebration of those who planted them

2855 PLEASE be more thoughtful about your questions and answers. The only concern I have about cultural
 2856 events is that they are hard to find info on sometimes. But I could not indicate that because I had to
 2857 select 5 answers.

2858 Parks are used daily and year-round. Cultural events tend to be occasional events only. Focus on what
 2859 users of the parks want, not on the one-time events. The events are a bonus, but shouldn't be the
 2860 focus.

2861 We need more parks to celebrate the past. If there are too many people in one put up another one. This
 2862 allows for a more diverse sharing of history as well.

2863 I often feel like I'm too busy working, trying to keep my head above water to participate and engage
 2864 with these activities. I'd really appreciate some more affordable living so I can engage more.

2865 Build some recreational and park space and opportunities in the north central/northern hills part of the
 2866 city.

2867 Fix the survey to allow for up to five answers

2868 Believe we should create one or two signature parks for culture. Make them world class.

2869 The Balzac Archeological Site, tipi rings, Bison Bones and North Trail / Wagon Trail sites need to be
 2870 honoured through the creation of a park.

2871 Your above questions say "Select UP to 5" but you force 5 selections. This pretty much invalidates the
 2872 survey because your forcing people to select answers they may not want.

2873 Signs identifying history of park. Partnership with private groups to maintain or restore a park. ie Silver
 2874 Springs Botanical Garden. Ensure paths are wide enough to prevent erosion at edges. Consider light
 2875 coloured coating on asphalt paved paths to limit heat buildup. Add wildflower gardens - small sections
 2876 that aren't mowed.

2877 Making cultural events free or more affordable for families

2878 There needs to be some areas that are set up to handle events and festivals. New areas

2879 Accessibility needs improvement

2880 Create opportunities for parks to bring people together, do activities that bridge gaps between different
 2881 communities.

2882 promote free events more, have signages

2883 Maybe more flyers to be shared with the people for upcoming events

2884 Valleyview had vendor market, but cost of table was too high, lead different cultural activities, involve
2885 youth and children

2886 free transportation available

2887 Finalize more with cultural groups, more advertisement, connect with different organization, invite
2888 different groups to use park space

2889 not sure

2890 Please promote cultural events happening in parks more, install signage in parks

2891 not sure

2892 more advertisements of the culture activities

2893 need more advertisement about events happening in the parks and signage needs be little easier

2894 Signage in Parks, specifically in park where event is happening

2895 advertise via newspaper, libraries, community centers, malls, TV, radios, etc, signage in parks, engage
2896 more with public, open info centers, especially in (too busy) parks

2897 more parking for facilities where cultural event

2898 I am from the Egyptian Community and they are always organize our events + celebration inside
2899 community centers or private farms that have animals + play areas for kids, I am wondering if they are
2900 aware about organizing these events in City Parks.

2901 more security for the safety

2902 There should be more sitting chairs available.

2903 respect of each others cultures, faith groups, etc

2904 being incapable of driving I personally find it extremely hard to visit the parks due to either lack of public
2905 transportation or if there is any the route would be too long that with kids it becomes impossible to visit
2906 on frequent basis

2907 If we can see more on social media

2908 Decrease price for entry ticket or keep some days free entry, tickets are expensive for short income
2909 people. We cannot pay this and we cannot (illegible) this.

2910 Add water to clean in washrooms its part of our culture instead of tissues

2911 include cultural values like praying area. Availability of water in toilets other than toilet paper. Some
2912 cultures use water to clean

2913 events should be promoted, more signage should be there as I don't know what park it is

2914 I don't attend many events so I can't say

2915 There should be some cultural events monthly to learn cultural aspects of other communities. Because
 2916 we are living in a vast diversity here

2917 promote events more, improve signage

2918 Provide information to people how they can use parks to connect with their culture, most people are
 2919 not aware of that, educate people how to do events dos + don't's

2920 better advertising for cultural events

2921 hold event that celebrate different culture

2922 more joint events to connect most cultures

2923 Offer more brochures, post more ads on social media (especially Facebook), coordinate events in public
 2924 places (libraries, schools).

2925 Please make sure there are a limited number of people at a certain park. Please make sure there are
 2926 enough parking spaces

2927 post more ads on social media (Facebook)

2928 Need more advertisement/ awareness to promote cultural activities

2929 More cultural landscapes and events, more advertisement and awareness

2930 Support communities to celebrate their cultural festival continuously.

2931 The cleanliness of the toilets

2932 I believe the preservation of the parks themselves is the most important

2933 I believe the preservation of the parks themselves is the most important

2934 Event for large communities cultural festival

2935 promote more activities

2936 have more public transport in the future to access the parks, safer environment/ more security

2937 public art installations/ sculptures, murals, history or cultural diversity of the community, cultural
 2938 events/ performances, language and cultural learning spaces

2939 If there are events they should promote it better through posters around town, advertisement boards or
 2940 even on the news.

2941 N/A

2942 more public parking (no fee)

2943 Make some parks Multi-functional and Calgary can create a Dog Park that the dogs can stop by and pee
 2944 or poo cause I have seen owners of dogs that don't pick it up after.

2945 hold more culture based events, share ideas with local businesses

2946 have more cultural arts projects

2947 no concern

2948 conduct community affairs community featuring varied cultures (ethnic)

2949 Radio advertising cultural events, promoting social media accounts specifically for cultural events,
2950 promoting cultural event in their ethnic language + in english

2951 community engagement involving ideas, seminars and education

2952 no concern

2953 Through intentional parades incorporating our high schools participating and other groups. For example,
2954 promoting the stampede parade. After the global pandemic, we can also become athletes or have
2955 leaders create impact in our city through prolonged event like Pacquiao and Terry Fox's marathon

2956 Share better advertisements to help be aware of events

2957 A lot of events happen in high traffic parks but little happen in the few NE parks - little sporting, cultural
2958 events

2959 We need a park for our own big caribbean event because there are a lot of caribbean people in calgary

2960 I think getting people from different cultures together would help

2961 more landmarks and information about history and culture

2962 Children should be involved in other cultures. There should be more room for learning about different
2963 cultures so that kids can learn from an early age to accept different traditions.

2964 parking

2965 less litter

2966 Adding more tables or seating areas to parks, advertising events in places more people are likely to see

2967 more information regarding cultural activities - how, when where

2968 information

2969 hold more cultural based-events

2970 Community engagement involving ideas, seminars and education about culture, history and past events

2971 build language and cultural learning spaces

2972 public art installations

2973 continuous enforcement of peace officers.

2974 No

2975 Calgary has so much diversity, helping everyone understand each others culture could help with many
2976 issues/maybe other country rich history being showcased in these parks

2977 opportunity for rent something

2978 To rent place for my event

2979 It's good if built culture. Can memory of back home

2980 Security is needed!

2981 n/a

2982 Adding more cultural events in our parks

2983 Adding more cultural events to the parks

2984 Adding more culture events to liven up the park

2985 More cultural events

2986 adding more cultural events

2987 Respect the local history by doing things

2988 More parks and trees

2989 More involvement with cultural groups

2990 more presence online

2991 more signage about events happening in the parks

2992 All cultural events should be promoted and shared via different means not just social media

2993 Invite various cultural groups to share their culture with others

2994 Free transportation during events

2995 Create opportunities for parks to bring people together during different cultural events. Could connect

2996 with specific cultural commmunitiy when when specific cultural event/ day (Diwali, Eid, etc) is coming

2997 and organize in collaboration with them

2998 Do activities that bridge gaps between different communities

2999 more advertisement of events, we are not aware of those events until they happen, use social media to

3000 announce those events.

3001

3002 15. For any guiding principle you do not agree with, would you mind telling us why?

3003

3004 None.

3005 None

3006 I don't have any issue with the principles outlined, though I am skeptical & feel the process is likely a bit
 3007 performative. Parks are grossly underfunded- how will the dept. reasonably follow-through with the
 3008 feedback?

3009 What are you planning with regards to celebrating Truth and Reconciliation? I do hope that we are not
 3010 going to have more garbage heaps like the one that you have in front of City Hall. Is that going to ever
 3011 go away? Apparently not. It is ugly, ugly...

3012 With "Healthy Environment", find a better balance between closing off areas with ugly fencing for
 3013 "restoration", but every other area is a free for all for every person. These guiding principle are so vague
 3014 and don't lend to being accountable.

3015 Accessibility should be a high priority so everyone can enjoy the parks

3016 The city does NOT put the environment first.

3017 I agree with the list but would state that not every area has to be available to everyone for everything.

3018 Conservation! Particularly of Nose Hill Park & it's wildlife.

3019 These principles are just policy to get elected and be able to say you are doing good things, when in fact
 3020 the basic needs of Calgarians are not met. I don't care about equity when I am being spit on by
 3021 homeless, or someone attacks me with a needle

3022 Not just climate resilient also flooding, drought and fire resilient

3023 "Equity/Cele of Culture" are concepts & words of that totalitarian ideology of political correctness.
 3024 People are tired of having this crap pushed relentlessly pushed into their faces. They turn off -- not good
 3025 -- or become poisoned & hateful -- not good.

3026 We need to specifically include protecting areas for wildlife

3027 Feel for the Calgarians Health & Wellbeing it reads more of a city planning principle than one that speaks
 3028 to the physical and mental health benefits gained by those utilizing effective park spaces.

3029 Equity and climate resilience should not be the focus of parks

3030 Too many buzz words. Just focus on providing green spaces people can access. Too much focus on social
 3031 issues that have nothing to do with 95% of what people use parks for. I am alarmed to see dogs not
 3032 represented in your survey.

3033 Parks should be a place for all calgarians to enjoy. A place that is well maintained and people are
 3034 respectful. It seems like these principles are overthinking it.

3035 Celebration of culture should change to Celebration of outdoor sports

3036 Very little focus on beauty and the benefits of a planned, beautified outdoor space. That is historically
 3037 what parks were for, see Europe

3038 Not good for cyclists who want to use the pathway to commute

3039 Culture, there is many cultures in Calgary, and not just one. Also how does parks have anything to do
3040 with culture.

3041 No I agree with what was said, maybe we could focus strongly on the wildlife and natural landscape
3042 We need more multi use linear paths like Confederation that link to numerous communities.

3043 All good principles, thank you.

3044 Parks are for exercise, fun & leisure, not history & culture.

3045 Just ensuring the guiding principles don't rule out utilizing natural areas for recreation.

3046 I have brought up issues with homeless encampments in the past directly to the city and they aren't
3047 looked after. This is a major safety issue for all parks users

3048 N/A

3049 Better safety improves equity for people who are vulnerable based on age, gender, and disability.

3050 If our parks can help slow down global warming in anyway that is very important. We need green spaces
3051 for our mental health as well.

3052 Expansion of parks. Requirement for city parks in new development areas and reduction of car
3053 accessibility.

3054 The people based approach...what does this mean? I think protection of the natural environment should
3055 come before people and especially before their dogs. I think it requires a balanced approach.

3056 I think the history of parks and culture is not enhanced by 'weaving it in'. Recognize and honor.

3057 I don't feel enough city parks provide accessible options for people with disabilities, particularly children

3058 Everybody must do something for climate resiliency, it takes every possible effort. And nature is
3059 essential to our wellbeing, so making it accessible through nature within the city is probably the biggest
3060 step towards this goal.

3061 All of these things can be found elsewhere, a park is somewhere to go to find nothing, just go and enjoy
3062 it

3063 A more thorough consideration to mindfulness and mental health and the utilization of the existing
3064 infrastructure to meet needs of people needing assistance and also equipping our citizens with the tools
3065 to deal with mental health and mindfulness ...

3066 Protect the wildlife that inhabit the parks

3067 I think the promotion of youth well being and health would be a higher priority, laid out as a guiding
3068 principle

3069 I won't believe you on the "Equity" one until naturism is considered and respected. It's disengenious to
3070 mention forest bathing while also refusing to consider that activity could also be practiced without
3071 clothing.

3072 Culture can be celebrated at there home, truth and reconciliation has come and gone they need to get
3073 over it

3074 Equity - as soon as I see this I read it as "we don't care about white people". Equity is too often used to
3075 justify racism. We need equality. "Celebration of culture" is also a left wing crusade - this is just
3076 politicizing parks.

3077 Healthy environment...for humans AND wildlife with an emphasis on the latter

3078 None of these things are possible if people don't use the parks they have access to due to them being
3079 unsafe (encampments, drug deals, needles, etc.) or full of garbage.

3080 Enough of truth and reconciliation, how much is going to be enough? Is there going to be a time when
3081 you are satisfied?

3082 Being disabled, and in a wheelchair, I would really like to be able to use a park in Falconridge where I live
3083 I don't want to have to travel outside my community.

3084 Stop rewriting history!

3085 N/a

3086 Ensuring accessibility: for families with strollers, and tiny kids and people in wheelchairs. More
3087 maintenance and make cleaning up after ourselves easy and sustainable!

3088 These are very broad. I just hope that putting the environment first does not mean "naturalizing"
3089 established parks and does mean maintaining them by watering and caring for grass, trees, and other
3090 established plantings..

3091 I'd deprioritize Climate resiliency (climate change protection is a consequence not a goal. Come on, it is
3092 a green park), equity (sounds like communist stuff. I didn't leave my country to live under communism),
3093 celebration of culture (more leftist agenda)

3094 N/A

3095 I agree

3096 No

3097 No

3098 Al city spaces need more parks and not just sports fields. All communities also need dog parks.

3099 Equity and inate concerns are getting annoying

3100 I want more formal parks with flower beds and fountains outside the DT core in communities. We have
3101 surplus of green spaces in communities that could be enhanced and made more useable with benches,
3102 tables, fire pits etc.

3103 Equity: I do not think every park of every park needs to be accessible to every person. ex, I enjoy the dirt
3104 pathways in Fishcreek which are not accessible to people with limited mobility.

3105 not sure. i think the emphasis on culture loses the focus of a park, which should be for beauty, exercise,
3106 fresh air, tranquility, recreation in all its forms etc. it really doesn't have anything to do with culture.

3107 I don't know how Calgary parks could have any impact on reducing climate change. I would also keep
3108 the truth and reconciliation aspect of it out of using the parks as all cultures should be celebrated.

3109 We need to make the parks safe, accessible and well maintained. I think combating climate change with
3110 creating a park isn't the most important. If the park isn't safe people won't use it.

3111 To bring culture into the parks, it has to be subtle, otherwise you will create ethnic communities and
3112 people will stick to there own side of the city instead of exploring everywhere as they may feel
3113 uncomfortable or unwelcome.

3114 I would mind, yes.

3115 n/a

3116 N/A. They all seem very good, as long as they are acted upon.

3117 Does public art come under Celebration of Culture? Because I think it is important.

3118 NA

3119 Oh, i this is smoke and mirrors and wishful thinking. Calgary hasn't had a transparent nor caring council
3120 nor leader in decades. Our current mayor screams climate emergency and continues to build out. I don't
3121 foresee this happening in 20 yrs.

3122 Special people can have access to the parks provided a caregiver is assisting them, I don't understand
3123 the relevance to accessibility to people with impairments, I have bad joints, poor eye site and hearing
3124 loss, does not slow me down.

3125 The list is almost entirely ESG based and that limits the scope of responses. Safety and accessibility go
3126 hand in hand.

3127 Diversity Inclusion and Equity is a false narrative. Public spaces are for all people regardless of these
3128 divisive social labels

3129 Opportunities for people all ages to gather

3130 Grass that demands water, mowing etc. Does not help with climate issues. Why aren't we trying natural
3131 grasses to our area? For that matter why aren't we planting more local plant life in general?

3132 I don't agree that we should have a focus on Culture as it draws more attention to differences than
3133 encouraging harmony. We are Canadians. Don't continue to fragment us into splinter groups that
3134 highlight differences. Find ways to unite us into one.

3135 Lots of garbage in the park. The signage are broken.

3136 Parks do not need to change to reflect TRC!

3137 Regarding the final three principles, I feel that the NE has been historically underserved, causing inequity
3138 in access to green space.

3139 Calgary needs more greenspace and trees. With increased density. People need outdoor spaces. If you
 3140 don't make greenspace a priority and support the urban forest then they will suffer from over use
 3141 these all seem “ development” oriented not green space preservation

3142 Planting trees and keeping the natural prairie grasses growing in places like fish creek park and taking
 3143 down any structures that mar the landscape would be my priorities and not adding cultural priorities

3144 Our parks need to be maintained better. Things such as properly pruning trees, cleaning garbage would
 3145 all go a long way. Trees all over the city are full of disease and have huge suckers, which are ugly and do
 3146 not give the spaces a chance to flourish.

3147 The aforementioned are excellent and well thought out!

3148 Equity is another name for socialism

3149 I'm ok now

3150 Climate is too narrow, should not be its own category. It can go in healthy environment, which is
 3151 sufficient to address conservation and natural infrastructure. Equity inappropriate, Calgarians are
 3152 different and equity eliminates this, fairness is better.

3153 Children oriented questions/playground info

3154 Where did you come up with the idea parks mitigate climate change? Floods have always happened and
 3155 there's nothing like densifying an area (taking down trees, decreasing yards and shoving in more
 3156 cement) to crank up the heat.

3157 The climate change stuff is complete garbage. Please reference the science. If true stop densifying
 3158 areas which kills off the existing trees/plants.

3159 I don't feel celebration of culture needs to be a priority, especially for funding, as equitable access to
 3160 space allows organizations/individuals to self-direct what the spaces are used for.

3161 Focus on safety, cleanliness and accessibility. We need to spend money on our roads, on our low income
 3162 housing. Stop spending on bs projects that spark divisiveness.

3163 na

3164 Sick of all the social aspects and climate

3165 Parks are not a place to grandstand on climate change and inclusion. Obviously everyone can use the
 3166 parks, there have never been barriers based on race, ethnicity, gender, etc. The only thing that should
 3167 be focused on is nature, safety, cleanliness, etc.

3168 Once a park is residentially or commercially developed in the inner city it is lost forever. Yet this does
 3169 not stop the City from selling out to developers hoping to build their tax base. 37th Street is another
 3170 example of action before clear thinking.

3171 For the Celebration of Culture. I feel like Calgary can do more in the spirit of reconciliation with First
 3172 Nations

3173 I think that the city is too focused on equity, inclusion, and other social movements. The parks are
 3174 important for recreation and wellbeing for everyone, and for maintenance of a natural environment
 3175 where possible within the city.

3176 I just want to emphasize that we should place primary importance on biodiversity/climate resilience as
 3177 nothing else is achievable w/o those two.

3178 The focus should be in making the parks spectacular and pretty.

3179 No camping in parks. Parks are parks and campgrounds are campgrounds. There is not the proper
 3180 infrastructure for parks to be encampments. The use of a few take away the use for many. Often this
 3181 activity makes it not safe for use&damages the naturalizatio

3182 Having parks with adult exercise equipment would be great! It would be nice to have dog agility added
 3183 to some parks too! Public washrooms make it more accessible to people who have relevant health
 3184 restrictions!

3185 Equity: In trying to make parks accessible to all, we run the risk of overdevelopment of some of the
 3186 smaller parks

3187 Nothing at this time.

3188 We need to be fiscally conservative with our money and not spend money on things not needed.

3189 Public transportation to parks. But face it, the public transportation system in Calgary is appallingly bad

3190 Climate change is simply a hysteria and hoax conjured up by the woke socialists; disappointing to see
 3191 the City of Calgary dumping so much hard earned tax payer money into it.

3192 I worry that "equity" and "celebration of culture" will be co-opted to advance a woke agenda that
 3193 undermines our sense of societal unity and harmony.

3194 I agree with all but would add diversity of use—off leash dog parks aren't included here

3195 Too many "woke" buzzwords, without any real substance.

3196 Environment: doesn't need to "do " something in order to be valuable: natural environments are
 3197 valuable because they exist. We need to live in harmony WITH the natural environments and stop
 3198 "using" them without considering our impacts.

3199 Not everything has to be connected to reconciliation, sometimes a rock is just a rock.

3200 TRUTH AND RECONCILIATION SHOULD HAVE NO PLACE IN PARKS , INDIANS TREAT THERE LAND LIKE
 3201 DUMPS

3202 Climate Resiliency - very important to take action for this. Parks are a great way to do that, if focusing on
 3203 natural landscapes, promoting native biodiversity, etc

3204 For Healthy Environment, I would suggest educating dog owners on picking up their dog's poo and add
 3205 more garbages to help mitigate that, as well as signs.

3206 Calgary's parks are not going to save the planet nor are they racist. Stop with all the virtue signalling
3207 Guiding Principles!

3208 I disagree with most of this list. Parks just need to be a safe place for people to escape and have fun.
3209 Stop politicizing everything.

3210 The maintenance and upgrading of existing parks. This needs to be addressed. Many parks in my
3211 neighborhood do not get maintained in the summer and makes the areas unusable at times.

3212 To be honest, I'm getting sick of the whole Truth and Reconciliation focus in society. I'm tired of feeling
3213 I'm perceived as a bad, colonial white person.

3214 Im not sure why you need to weave in the principles of truth and reconciliation. Calgary is a
3215 multicultural city.. to focus on one smaller culture at the expense of others is wrong. I'm not sure why
3216 Climate Change is a goal...truly parks are natural!

3217 While I do agree with the importance of recognizing Truth and Reconciliation in respects to the
3218 indigenous cultures that are deeply rooted in our land and peoples, however Calgary has a diverse
3219 community of cultures that also need support and recognition.

3220 Climate resiliency. I partially agree but feel that shouldn't be the first thing we spend our money on.

3221 For healthy environment, use federal regulations such as the pest control act to make decisions on use
3222 of chemical herbicides versus trying to make municipal decisions not based on science.

3223 Defund the arts

3224 Allv good.

3225 Celebration of parks seems to be missing elements of celebration through gatherings and social
3226 connectivity seen through festivals and events

3227 The principle of Equity grates, it implies that all people must enjoy the parks to the same degree and in
3228 the same way.

3229 climate resiliency - I don't think there are enough trees and enough greenspace to really outweigh the
3230 local pollution in the city.

3231 Celebration of culture - totally agree with the two priority areas - but to also be mindful of immigrants
3232 and if parks can give them a sense of belong is important too.

3233 A park should be free from political bias - all the above are heavily influenced by a left leaning bias. this
3234 is nature FFS

3235 Clean and parking

3236 I truly believe in the concept of Truth and Reconciliation, BUT I think we've watched the pendulum
3237 swing too far. I don't think we need to "weave it into the fabric of our parks". Can't a park just be a
3238 park? A place for citizens to relax and play?

3239 Neither #1 or #2 (or to some degree #4) can be achieved by Parks alone. There needs to be a more
 3240 comprehensive approach to these through private property as well ie. the importance of the urban
 3241 canopy (public and private), and the need for permeable land

3242 N/A

3243 Clarity around 'Calgarians Health and Wellbeing' is needed; I would be disappointed to see all park
 3244 spaces add recreation/cultural activities as want to keep spaces solely for connecting with nature.

3245 None

3246 I don't disagree with any of these principles.

3247 I agree with all these principles, this is an excellent list.

3248 The guiding principals (not sure which category) should include citizen and local organizations care for
 3249 the parks. Perhaps more proximal ownership may result in better care and more respectful usage by
 3250 immediate/close locals using the space.

3251 I hope that equity also includes considerations on how people are able to get to the parks (sidewalks,
 3252 buses, LRT, etc.).

3253 Equity is tough to manufacture

3254 I'm not sure that Calgary has a culture that is well enough defined to be able to preserve it, and I'm not
 3255 sure I want bureaucrats defining it.

3256 Missing a dedication to physical fitness/sport which is a big park, also should be protected from
 3257 development and sale at all costs

3258 This is a joke, right? Calgary parks are there for people to enjoy activities in the outdoors. This list is
 3259 complete nonsense.

3260 "Healthy environment " - the healthiest natural space excludes humans.

3261 I agree with all of these, however, putting the environment first (healthy environment) seems it will be
 3262 in conflict with also taking a people-based approach. Although, I suppose some parks are dedicated as
 3263 natural area parks and some are recreation parks

3264 N/A

3265 Celebration of culture. You state that you will be making decision based on putting the environment first
 3266 is good; leave your "weaving" of ideologies out of the Parks. There is enough of this cultural bullshit in
 3267 our everyday lives already.

3268 I disagree with taking a people-based approach. We need to shift to a nature-based approach. Nature
 3269 includes people and gives equal weight to the need to actively foster biodiversity.

3270 Please do not ruin the ability of people to enjoy the natural spaces in our city

3271 Government should not take on responsibility for celebration of culture. Individuals and special interest
 3272 groups can own this.

3273 I will say that nature is nature and culture has little to do with it. Make them pretty. Connect them with
 3274 paths. Add amenities and let them be used. I am no red neck person but Calgary is losing its focus by
 3275 going too left. (Both extremes suck)

3276 Equal access opportunities should be considered as well: for example, the city only provide one public
 3277 access lake in the far south, for people who lives in the north it is not a very easy access considering they
 3278 have to travel a long distance there.

3279 Healthy Environment - reads like it would ban people access - if citizens do not have access does it count
 3280 as a park?

3281 Seems the city redevelops parks by building condos or affordable housing on the park space.

3282 all of these "principles" are so vague. The explanations say nothing.

3283 -Celebration of Culture: Public art in this city is only for Natives and White people. Black/Asian/Hispan? -
 3284 Calgarians Health and Wellbeing: Parks in this city are designed for children and old people. Adults and
 3285 teenagers are left out of the equation.

3286 It's a matter of priorities. Generic parks often are not valued for Climate and Environmental protection.
 3287 More needs to be done to prioritize this and prevent destruction by unthinking citizens.

3288 we don't always need to be woke at a park. stop with the 360 ideology around culture. just let it be a
 3289 natural space.

3290 nope

3291 I don't disagree with the list except that it is not inclusive enough, as there is no mention of
 3292 maintenance (or the SEVERE lack thereof)

3293 Too woke. It's a beautiful outdoor space people need to enjoy. These are not national forests, we only
 3294 have some much park space for our almost 2 million people

3295 More for young children. More pools for people to cool down. Increased security

3296 Not all parks should be solely for the benefit of people. Therefore I somewhat disagree with the last 2
 3297 items.

3298 Celebration of Culture principle I don't agree with. The majority of people in this city, are from
 3299 somewhere outside of Calgary. So I don't think its something worth putting so much pressure on. This
 3300 form is too short to explain why in a better way.

3301 Maintenance is not identified as a priority. Climate resiliency elements are useless if they are not
 3302 maintained and improved with changing environmental conditions. Putting the environment first
 3303 requires \$ for mature tree watering and maintenance.

3304 our park space is much to small to have any effect on climate resiliency, the next flood will wash our
 3305 efforts away, its a popular sentiment but totally impractical

3306 Climate Resiliency does not need to be in the top guiding principles

3307 Access to parks should be a guiding principle. Also not spraying herbicide and pesticides.

3308 Climate and Healthy environment could be merged. I feel as though recreation is missing, when that is a
3309 huge part of parks

3310 Equity .. ENOUGH with the political WOKENESS and language. I find this offensive.

3311 Equity should include making sure the northeast has its fair share of parks.

3312 Assuming "equity" involves high property value and low taxes, I don't care. New suburbs are popping up
3313 without any sort of park space nearby constantly, at a certain point I'd rather have parks for everyone
3314 than care about making money.

3315 Health and well being are reasonable. It's a park.

3316 Not just Calgary history but before Calgary was here

3317 Natural spaces do not care about the celebration of culture. Its okay for a space to be culturally neutral.

3318 I would say safety both with culture clash plus cyclists and pedestrians who do not respect each other on
3319 the pathways

3320 Does "healthy environment" include access to washrooms? That is the biggest barrier for older people,
3321 young families and organized sports. First thing I look for when organizing a family activity.

3322 Celebration of Culture: should be equally applied to all cultures, not just indigenous

3323 Park spaces are often policed for safety or maintained outside of best-practice to solve a social
3324 challenge. Safety is largely by design. Maintain but also have a balanced allowance for all visitors and
3325 users to get their health and well-being from parks.

3326

3327 16. Are there any guiding principles you feel are missing? If yes, would you mind telling us
3328 what they are?
3329

3330 All good. Thank you.

3331 There needs to be more about giving Calgarians more space to do the things they enjoy. As the city
3332 densifies I'm worried there will not be enough space for everyone. Especially in inner city
3333 neighborhoods. Calgary should be the city of parks and pathways!

3334 Safety - there are some park space that is compromised by unhoused citizens that threaten safety of
3335 others

3336 Please create an inter-municipal park along nose creek

3337 I think this likely would be covered under the principle of healthy environment but I want to reiterate
3338 that wildlife in and near the city needs protection. So no more things like Ricardo Ranch and imperiling
3339 heron rookeries in favor of developer profits

3340 Biodiversity and native species!

3341 Biodiversity

3342 At some point, leaders must lead to preserve the natural environment and reduce the effects on climate
3343 and environment, regardless of public opinion.

3344 Can't think of any

3345 What is most important to me is that flora and fauna should be protected and you are not addressing
3346 the protection of the flora and fauna at all. Calgary is terrible with such protections. Eg., the ring road
3347 has NO overpasses or underpasses for animals.

3348 Downtown needs more parks/greenspaces, not just new condos. We need more greenspaces and
3349 existing ones need to be MAINTAINED. There are enough sports fields/frisbee golf/etc., but we need
3350 areas DESIGNED/CREATED that are QUIET and can support mental health

3351 Some Parks are hard to get to without a vehicle, perhaps continuing to build on the trail system (biking)
3352 that exists to link to various parks.

3353 something to the effect "New Parks - create new parks when opportunities arise"; when land becomes
3354 available snap it up and develop when possible.

3355 I'm not sure if it's a guiding principle BUT our natural areas & parks should ALWAYS take precedence
3356 over housing development ie: Ricardo Ranch

3357 I feel like there isn't really much emphasis put on conservation and wildlife welfare, though I appreciate
3358 how it's perhaps indirectly addressed under "healthy environment"

3359 Keep more greenspace and ensure that communities maintain the green spaces and parks they have.

3360 Safety

3361 Integrated planning with other infrastructure needs (ie. stormwater management)

3362 Where would the standardization of service across communities fit into this? There appears to be two
3363 or more tier service in parks

3364 I agree with your guiding principles but frankly I do not see them reflected in the cities actions. It is time
3365 that the city show Calgarians these aren't just words, let's be a leader in the climate crisis rather than
3366 the disgrace we currently are.

3367 How about don't defund the police while protecting criminals. This city council and the mayor are
3368 completely out of touch with what taxpayers want. Instead of having 12 students paint a rainbow, have
3369 2 cops remove the 20 homeless camped there doing drugs

3370 Evidence based education

3371 There is no celebration of food, there should be fire pits and picnic benches everywhere.

3372 I think this fits under climate resiliency, but I really want Calgary to prioritize a more full tree canopy in
3373 the NE and suburbs without one. I also want to share my support for the rewilding of more parks in the
3374 city.

3375 Keeping parks green with new planting of trees. As dead ones go, plant new healthy ones. I don't like
 3376 when the branches of trees are cut but the truck is left.

3377 Because of the push for densification, it is vital that more parks and green spaces be developed in
 3378 Calgary. People need green spaces in order to relax and benefit in the joys of their communities.

3379 Focus should be on building community, fitness and mental health

3380 Multi species access. Dogs need parks more than humans do. It's a huge use case you have all but
 3381 ignored in this survey. Too much human hubris and focus on social justice. Not enough attention to
 3382 providing core services for daily use.

3383 Add to equity, parks need to be central not only for suburbs

3384 Beauty and Relaxation

3385 No

3386 Promoting an active lifestyle should be the top guiding principle. Too many people are extremely
 3387 inactive, and need to be pushed for their own physical and mental well-being.

3388 No

3389 To enhance an acceptable approach to densification

3390 Senior housing needs to have easy and hopefully immediate access to natural areas for mental health
 3391 and healing .

3392 Bringing communities together, have central or local parks within different communities. We have a
 3393 major school yard in our community (westgate) that is barely used. The addition of paths, trees, dog
 3394 park, sport courts, and some lighting, would add a lot.

3395 I feel that building community is under Health and Well being, but I wonder if it should be separate.
 3396 Individual Health and Well being and Community Health and Wellbeing are different in my mind.

3397 A stronger focus on parks being spaces that nurture community within our city. Spaces to meet and
 3398 enjoy strangers.

3399 Addition of amenities to allow for better experience, especially washroom facilities and winter worthy
 3400 buildings and amenities. Increase in 4 season use.

3401 Can we get some small indoor facilities in major parks so that for our Calgary weather it will be very
 3402 helpful for youth as well as elderly people

3403 Safety. Encounter dangerous cyclist daily, out of control dogs weekly, and homeless camps.

3404 Parks as a home for local wildlife - especially with urban sprawl, providing safe spaces for other life is
 3405 also important

3406 Make sure Healthy Environment puts the environment first including ALL that use the environment
 3407 (people and wildlife). That includes being real about pesticides and their impact both short and
 3408 longterm. It includes prioritizing health and wellbeing over a

3409 How does tentative plans for 15 minute cities affect land use to accommodate existing parks and green
 3410 spaces would not be touched.

3411 Living with “wildlife”

3412 Protection of wildlife and natural flora; using natural not chemical herbicides, insecticides, etc. Having
 3413 emergency services like AEDs and phones throughout parks.

3414 We need more trees to improve encirment. Also evergreen trees protect us all from noise and light
 3415 pollution

3416 More multi use parks closer to the outer perimeter of the city.

3417 Nothing is missing, all good.

3418 Need to make sure that Health & Wellbeing, particularly when it comes to recreation, is not just playing
 3419 organized sports on a field or structure, but includes things like hiking, trail running & mountain biking
 3420 on natural trails in natural areas.

3421 User interactions need to be considered. For instance, where a bike path goes along an off-leash area,
 3422 the potential for a hazard with an off-leash dog is very high. I can say this from my own experience.
 3423 Most off-leash areas are not secured properly.

3424 Integration. Parks shouldn't just have one sole purpose but should be re-envisioned for multiple users
 3425 including wildlife.

3426 Safety, safety, and safety.

3427 Entice respect of the parks and park users through awareness programs

3428 You mentioned celebration of Calgary's history. Yet these lands existed long before there was a calgary.
 3429 That fact is not communicated very well.

3430 I don't see anything about a safe space for the animals that might live within our city boundaries.

3431 Improving the aesthetic of the parks by implementing public art and architecture without affecting the
 3432 preservation of the land. Ensuring the space is safe and well lit.

3433 Safety

3434 I feel that parks should be an integral part of reducing car dependency in Calgary. They are highly valued
 3435 and can be a significant contributor to climate resilience, especially if they are larger and more
 3436 accessible.

3437 The Healthy environment principle should take priority over all the others.

3438 Ensure that park development takes into consideration neighboring homeowners.

3439 taking parks away - why is the city of calgary doing that

3440 Education

3441 Yes

3442 We can learn from our interaction with parks. I'd like to see reference to their importance for education

3443 Safety

3444 There are too many guiding principles. Just have a green space, either landscaped or natural and enjoy it

3445 the way you see fit

3446 Sustain wildlife/biodiversity

3447 Parks should a safe and welcoming environment for all. I shouldn't need to worry about homeless

3448 encampments or my kids finding used needles in parks

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3450 Protection of wildlife and natural environment - we need to share these spaces with critters.

3451 respect for taxpayers - be mindful of the costs and who pays for all of this

3452 How do you deal with ppl who leave dog feces laying around, aggressive children doing damage, parking

3453 at some parks not good enough, pathways for seniors have not been addressed through bike rentals or

3454 wheels chairs.

3455 Increase the amount of dog parks in Calgary, every single family home is likely to have at least one dog,

3456 and not enough resources for green spaces to become dog parks

3457 A park should be just that a greenspace to enjoy with out any of the "woke" bullshit

3458 Recreation and Leisure, or Active and Healthy Lifestyle - I mean, that's why people go to parks in the first

3459 place isn't it? There is nothing in the principles that relates to why people use parks.

3460 Dispersion throughout the city ie provision of so many sq km of green space per 1000 people

3461 Safety and Cleanliness

3462 Free for all

3463 Ensure that "equity" includes vulnerable sector populations, and that you're not just kicking unhoused

3464 people out of parks to make others feel "safer". Do not misattribute the danger in public spaces to being

3465 caused by impoverished people. They are people

3466 I have no idea, but please help some of the older areas like Falconridge. It's so ugly here.

3467 celebration of the people who take care of our parks as they do an excellent job and will pursue doing it.

3468 N/a

3469 Collective Contribution- encourage citizens to take a pride in a Calgary clean initiative, even visitors

3470 participate in collective clean up. This protects the environment and educates people on how litter can

3471 adversely impacts bears & other animals.

3472 Our parks provide important educational opportunities for kids and adults through school programs and

3473 other activities. This show people how important it is to care for our environment for so many reasons.

3474 ie. Weaselhead school programs.

3475 Maintaining multi-use options in parks is a priority for me. It is important that with time and growing
 3476 population, we do not lose our opportunities for people to use spaces in multiple ways. People can
 3477 share biking and walking spaces!

3478 Be financially responsible. The benefits must be considered against the costs and City taxes are too high
 3479 as it is. Respect taxpayers who pay for all of this.

3480 Biodeversity encouragement. Promote healthy and sustainable environment for various species to live
 3481 in, mitigate habitat loss due to urban development and provide educational opportunities for all city
 3482 residents.

3483 Calgary Parks are adequately valued to ensure adequate funding.

3484 1- Maintenance: start with the basics 2- Safety : no drug addicts. Keep it family friendly. 3- Promote
 3485 tourism: for instance add bus line connecting downtown to the most beautiful parks.

3486 Trying to do to much. Can't even maintain what is here now.

3487 N/A

3488 Heritage, what the area used to be like and has been maintained. Weaselhead and/or Nose Hill as
 3489 examples

3490 Biological Diversity

3491 I assume it is included in Healthy Environment but I would like to see mention preservation of wildlife
 3492 and their homes included. We need birds, bugs, mammals etc. in our city. Calgary won't be Calgary if we
 3493 lose our wild creatures and wilderness.

3494 Prioritizing the natural environment over development. For example, increased development setbacks
 3495 from the rivers and Nose Creek, protecting Nose Creek valley from development, prioritizing linked
 3496 greenspace between communities

3497 Safety with visible enforcement by bylaw officers, possibly emergency location posts numbered when
 3498 calling 911 for help, proper washrooms at all park entrances with year-long access, availability of green
 3499 compost bins.

3500 Recreation and enjoying the outdoors. That's it

3501 I wish the city would take a bigger role in educating park users, especially in multi use parks. Again, I
 3502 often feel unsafe because of off leash pets. I frequent these natural areas quite often, I have never seen
 3503 bylaw available in these areas to assist

3504 Park spaces should be utilized to diversify and increase our urban forest. Green spaces should be used
 3505 for this as well

3506 Safety. Off leash dogs are not safe in this city and make those parks entirely unsuitable for humans
 3507 looking to use them without dogs.

3508 Safety! Keep tents and homeless and druggies out!

3509 I think climate resiliency encompasses a lot, but want to make sure this also includes more natural
3510 habitats for wildlife and untouched-by-human places within the city for wildlife to thrive.

3511 not sure.

3512 Keep it safe above all. Parks should have lights on at night. Close up parks after dark so the young
3513 people don't go there to drink, do drugs and party. There should be signs that parks are closed after
3514 dark.

3515 Safety, reducing crowds by creating more spaces.

3516 Environment and wildlife parks are also homes to birds animals and there should be a place for them
3517 also

3518 Making parents more accessible via transportation

3519 You must do more to protect the wildlife and native plants.

3520 Dog Parks! No mention of dog parks.

3521 no

3522 Again, I think they are quite inclusive, as long as they are thoroughly committed to.

3523 I feel a guiding principle specifically regarding endangered flora and fauna is missing. Without the
3524 explicit statement of this I am afraid that protections of wild plants and animals in our city will not be
3525 taken fully into account

3526 Environment should include specific language that includes the planting of native plants and pollinator
3527 friendly gardens. These do not need to be maintained, and can provide a natural habitat for plants and
3528 animals.

3529 You need something about fiscal responsibility. These items are honourable goals but there needs to be
3530 consideration of costs as these are prioritized and implemented.

3531 Letting natural wildlife live freely, they are being pushed out of all green spaces and they need to be
3532 respected and treated well.

3533 Consider adding something about the need to ensure safety of those going into the parks.

3534 How about not destroying existing green spaces and heritage sites ... such as the one in the Northern
3535 Hills. Why not stop unnecessary development aka - taking out a golf course to build condos when this
3536 could have been a fabulous outdoor park area!

3537 all people are created equal, no special treatments for any individuals. equal access for all.

3538 As noted, most of the above list are ESG and environmental factors. Public safety will lead to better use
3539 of the park resources. The city needs to invest in maintaining spaces like other major metro centres in
3540 North America

3541 Priority should be given to maintenance and upkeep so that these places are enjoyable to use at all
3542 times.

3543 Protection from commercial development, particularly parks close to water sources and in prime real
3544 estate locations.

3545 More free spots like basketball courts in all parks

3546 Perhaps increasing biodiversity in the city could be added to the first point? Ensuring that we maintain
3547 bird, fish, mammal and insect populations helps our survival overall.

3548 More consideration required for wildlife protection. Also more focus on Park Safety required, including
3549 controls to prevent off-leash dogs in Parks.

3550 The environment and beauty of our nature is the most important. And the safety of the people.

3551 You mention equity and city-wide and yet you follow a quadrant system which means those between
3552 Deerfoot and Shaganappi are ignored north of Country Hills Blvd. Follow your principles

3553 Prioritising accessibility for pedestrians and cyclists: while biking infrastructure is exemplary in some
3554 parks, particularly in the north west, it generally falls short and makes it difficult for Calgarians to choose
3555 walking/biking as a method of travel.

3556 Embrace of winter city, more of a focus of creating these spaces throughout the city not just designated
3557 parks.

3558 More tree canopy. Take advantage of even small spaces and make them parkspace

3559 parks as natural areas to find quiet spaces in the city -

3560 Protect urban habitats. The city needs to follow its own rules when approving commercial & residential
3561 developments around waterways and natural environments.

3562 More parks is always better

3563 Year long open public washrooms, and more of them. Rejuvenation of old playgrounds in city parks.

3564 See above

3565 Making users feel safe in parks. And basic amenities like running water and washrooms. This is
3566 important for all users of any park space. If you have to leave to use the washroom, that does not
3567 benefit the climate.

3568 They are pretty well inclusive of my ideals.

3569 More music and fun

3570 Recreation and improved city living

3571 Quality. Calgary is great at making initial investments, and then not maintaining them. Lets create high
3572 quality parks and keep them that way.

3573 I would add to celebration of culture. Maybe something about civic pride in our city.

3574 Economic opportunities, from both natural infrastructure (such as flood control and urban forests) and
3575 for businesses reliant on public gatherings (such as food trucks, service providers).

3576 Celebration of family.

3577 Do more to protect the natural environment no more off leash dogs

3578 Safety of people using parks (dogs off leash are always a problem) and safety of wildlife and plants.

3579 Provide areas for multi-use transportation

3580 Development of a sense of community and shared connection for all Calgarians

3581 Parks are vital for kids. You turn everything into a woke agenda.

3582 Even outside of climate resiliency, I'd like to see a shift towards more natural features (rock features,
3583 gardens, explorable treed areas) over man-made ones (metal/plastic jungle gyms, widespread paving).

3584 The idea of using parks spaces to form local communities is missing. Parks in my mind should put a focus
3585 on bringing together neighbours more than Calgary's history

3586 Enforce bylaws, maintain parks do the bare minimum you're responsible for and succeed at that before
3587 you focus on feel good pet projects.

3588 Economic resilience in terms of growing the parks network in a way that is manageable (capital and
3589 operating) and also in the sense of enabling economic opportunity through the parks system (local biz
3590 and tourism).

3591 na

3592 Fun, family, clean, maintained properly! Pleasant , things for children to do, nice benches! Let the
3593 people figure the rest out themselves

3594 Preserving green spaces in the city rather than re-designating every inch for commercial and residential
3595 development. Parks are grossly over-crowded, we need more green spaces, more police presence,
3596 better maintenance

3597 wildlife health and wellbeing

3598 Our life style is car based and there is no denying it. Parent are busy driving their kids and themselves
3599 and needed equipment to a variety of sport centres.

3600 Full-family accessibility, including aspects for all ages, neurodiverse people, dogs. More emphasis on
3601 wildlife use of the parks.

3602 The protection of wild land. The wild, forested areas that ARE our parks are treasures in a city that is
3603 rapidly developing land. We need to prioritize the protection of these spaces. Wild space should be at
3604 the heart of every development application.

3605 Somewhat included in helathy environment if you extrapolate, but would love to see more explicit
3606 nature-first and conservation-first values included (emphasising the plant, animal, fungi species rather
3607 than just 'natural environment').

3608 Making the city more beautiful - more green, less concrete. Promoting walking and cycling (pathways
3609 and greenspace).

3610 The only thing I see missing is a bullet point for the preservation & protection of our wildlife that we
 3611 share the natural spaces in our parks with.

3612 Safety - Access to parks is safe (e.g., ice and snow clearing, lighting, signage, speeding) and there are
 3613 adequate buffers separating vehicle and pedestrian or cyclist traffic.

3614 Return on investment - how many people will use, at what cost compared to options.

3615 Descriptions of equity and culture do not reflect multiculturalism in Calgary. Social justice and tree
 3616 equity are not included. Nature Canada's report says it all. [https://naturecanada.ca/wp-](https://naturecanada.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Nature-Canada-Report-Tree-Equity.pdf)
 3617 [content/uploads/2022/09/Nature-Canada-Report-Tree-Equity.pdf](https://naturecanada.ca/wp-content/uploads/2022/09/Nature-Canada-Report-Tree-Equity.pdf)

3618 dogs and golfers take up an insane amount of our city's green spaces. I would love to see safe natural
 3619 places for children to play, more naturalization, less manicured,

3620 safety

3621 Make it beautiful and maintain it! It's not the role of the parks department to combat climate change
 3622 that's far beyond your scope as a goal. It might be a byproduct of parks but not the goal.

3623 Keep parks safe. Well lit. Free of graffiti and gang territorial symbols.

3624 Safety of Calgarians using the parks

3625 I think climate resiliency could be improved with more trees to create more cool spaces and shade!

3626 Beauty, gardens

3627 Don't over 'peoplefy' the parks. Keep them good for wildlife

3628 N/A

3629 Education

3630 Connectedness - Calgary Parks should think of our parks as part of a whole active transportation
 3631 network. How can park trails support bike and pedestrian commuting and travel for errands, not just for
 3632 pleasure?

3633 Opportunities to promote health through sport (eg cross country skiing)

3634 A more explicit focus on biodiversity, conservation, and ecosystem services. These are reflected
 3635 obliquely by "climate resiliency" I'd like to see them prioritized in their own right: species conservation,
 3636 pollinators, wetlands that protect our water etc

3637 I would like to feel safe from off-leash dogs. I don't like dogs jumping on me. I am fragile and they knock
 3638 me over. Owners are rude and don't care, always say their dog wouldn't hurt anyone. They only put the
 3639 leash on when bylaw officers are around.

3640 No mention of providing pathways, trails and recreational infrastructure for Calgarians to use and enjoy.

3641 Harmonization of humans and animals. Making pets as active as people.

3642 I believe wildlife corridors and education surrounding them should be a priority as well.

3643 How about the simple enjoyment of being outdoors in either a well maintained recreational or natural
3644 park with trash bins without being so controlled.

3645 Public safety.

3646 Facilities such as washrooms picnic tables benches and parking
3647 economic/property value

3648 Social vibrancy: cafes, plazas, small stages and spaces for buskers; strategies to bring parks to life.

3649 There could be more off leash areas, fully enclosed, for dogs as the one's now available are mostly over
3650 crowded and not fit for purpose.

3651 Equitable access to parks is not emphasized. Some current parks lack continuous bicycle, transit, walking
3652 access. The equity principle is vague.

3653 Rather than building housing on every spare piece of land in the City, why not look for opportunities to
3654 develop small parks dispersed throughout the city, thereby taking pressure off the larger parks that are
3655 unbelievable over-used during summer weekends

3656 Concern for wild animal habitats and welfare.elfare

3657 You need a goal related to fitness and health! Humans need nature for overall health. You need a goal
3658 around maintenance of the parks quality. All of the goals are like "motherhood and apple pie" they are
3659 too high level to be meaningful or effective!

3660 Tourism draw is missing.

3661 I would love to see someth9ng about homelessness. It's camouflaged in words like 'safety' bit too often I
3662 see homeless people chased out of parks. I don't know where they're supposed to go? Add that into the
3663 strategy so we actually find answers.

3664 I agree with these principles but I don't see the city actually being able to fulfill these as the city grows.
3665 New communities don't have enough parks. The old communities parks are being sold off developers
3666 aren't replenishing the tree canopy.

3667 Conservation work of all flora, fauna, and fungi are extremely important. This work should be led by
3668 experts in such fields, with a strong focus on teaching children, teens, and adults the importance of
3669 preserving and protecting these environments.

3670 Stopping the spread of the city as the funds for all gets spread pretty thin

3671 Go back to letting people water their green space for shared irrigations systems.

3672 Provide a clean area for Calgarians to enjoy

3673 I think it would be brilliant to bring indigenous folks back into these open spaces.

3674 Perhaps take the comments from above and create a new guiding principle to support parks as
3675 gathering spaces to celebrate and socialize

3676 More opportunities for free dog walking

3677 Accessibility- a lot of parks require a vehicle to drive to so increased accessibility by bike or by public
3678 transit would be beneficial for many Calgarians.

3679 Making greenspace a priority in new developed neighbourhoods should be a priority.

3680 Letting nature be nature, letting the animals have space

3681 I don't see a principle specific committing to increasing investment in parks (quantity of parks,
3682 maintenance of parks).

3683 There absolutely needs to be more space and attention given to dog parks in the Calgary boundaries. It
3684 is close to impossible to find fully enclosed, properly maintained spaces to take a dog to run off leash.

3685 I believe maintenance of our parks needs to be a guiding principle as well. Poorly maintained parks add
3686 little to no value.

3687 Free all free - reserving picnic sights should be free

3688 Could fall under Healthy Environment but providing safe refuge and habitats for urban wildlife

3689 Safety. Health and well being are of utmost importance.

3690 Parks are well maintained (watered, mowed, weeded, pruned, high-use pathways cleared of ice and
3691 snow, play equipment properly maintained)

3692 Who is leading the way to show that all persons using the parks, are safe and inclusive for everyone? No
3693 one person should feel unsafe while visiting our city's parks.

3694 Ensuring that both natural and recreational space builds at the same rate as population, especially in
3695 established areas where the City is pushing density. More density = means less private open
3696 space...make up for it in Park development.

3697 N/A

3698 You need to consider recreation and fitness components, as well as an increasing need for green space
3699 as density increases and living quarters shrink.

3700 Safety and Protecting Peaceful Enjoyment - while police/social workers work on more serious issues,
3701 bylaw and peace officers (parks officers perhaps?) have a place in preventing litter, damage and
3702 intrusion.

3703 Exploring Economic Opportunities! There are ways to derive financial benefit from park spaces that also
3704 simultaneously increase their value and benefit to the public. Reinvest funds derived from temporary
3705 commercialization directly into those parks.

3706 If it were my own list, the last principle I would include is sense of community and responsibility for land.
3707 I would also love to see homeless people addressed and protected in the plan. I don't want my parks to
3708 be sites of unnecessary policing.

3709 The maintenance and care of the spaces/ the impacts of littered/poop filled spaces on users in not on
3710 the list.

3711 Wildlife conservation. Although wildlife habitat could be included in Health Environment, the animals
 3712 themselves are not mentioned. For example, many park users especially families enjoy the beavers, so I
 3713 prefer to see them accommodated, not killed.

3714 Tourism and recreation activity: Calgary's parks are a social gathering place where small economic
 3715 activity can take place. While I can get ice-cream by Prince Park and rent a canoe in Bowness, there
 3716 aren't any businesses around my park: Nose Hill

3717 Making space for Indigenous food sovereignty, increasing equitable access to food assets and services,
 3718 and by working towards food system resiliency as part of climate action.

3719 climate resilience in our natural environments should be of fundamental focus.

3720 SAFETY! Many parks are threatening due to the social disorder (open drug use, etc.)

3721 Safety and cleanliness. Lots of homeless encampments, drug users, and garbage in my neighbourhoods. SE
 3722 Calgary.

3723 Health and well being can only be attained with fitness and rec facilities

3724 Sense of community and social interaction. I think public spaces should encourage interaction between
 3725 people of diverse backgrounds to increase understanding and a sense of belonging.

3726 You have left out the recreational and fitness component.

3727 Yes, the city recently re zoned and sold off an inner city regional park which was extremely traumatic.
 3728 Residents tried very hard to be heard that this is not what the city should do with park space but it fell
 3729 on deaf ears. We need to preserve parks

3730 The guiding principle is that park areas in Calgary exist to provide people with the opportunity to do
 3731 things they enjoy in the outdoors. The parks should be promoting recreation, healthy activities, and
 3732 enjoyment of the natural environment.

3733 N/A

3734 Fiscal accountability.

3735 Actively foster biodiversity as per the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework. We can't wait
 3736 another 20 years for the next Calgary Parks plan to incorporate this priority into how we
 3737 manage/recreate/enjoy Calgary's parks.

3738 Education of the citizens of Calgary about the importance of having green spaces, responsibility we have
 3739 to maintain and help to keep the parks

3740 Safety and Security. If I do not feel safe and secure in any park I will not use it, regardless of how
 3741 attractive you make it out to be.

3742 Parks are an inexpensive way for a family to have a fun time together. It doesn't need to be fancy or
 3743 structured. please do not over complicate this experience by adding things that take away from this
 3744 experience. We need simplicity in our lives

3745 Prudent and responsible use of tax dollars. City Council-is wasteful with tax dollars and has no concept
 3746 of fiscal management. You all need to resign.

3747 Beauty. Perspective. Maintenance. Increase trees. Paths. Add more gardens.

3748 Park amenities, more washrooms specifically need to be a guiding principle

3749 Biodiversity, food/community gardens

3750 Equal access opportunity for specific type of parks for people living in different quadrant of the city

3751 Clear communication would be a huge improvement. These are not "guiding - anything".

3752 Social impact - How these spots can be public gathering places like in other cities. Calgary has zero
 3753 outdoor paved plazas similar to Europe.

3754 Safety is missing - it should be a priority of the guiding principles!!

3755 More Dog parks

3756 enable tourism and economic returns through activities like x country skiing, hiking, mountain biking,
 3757 paddling on the river, etc.

3758 nope

3759 Maintenance of the parks and their amenities is VITAL to the environmental portion. Rusty playground
 3760 equipment isn't environmentally friendly, overflowing garbage bins are not environmentally friendly and
 3761 do not provide HEALTHY Environments either.

3762 Park safety and security.

3763 Safety

3764 The need to protect specific ecosystems, flora and fauna.

3765 Something that speaks to what people want out of their parks in 2023 and moving forward. Otherwise,
 3766 these are outdated guiding principles.

3767 Security and safety

3768 Safety ought to be in this list, and prioritizing wildlife over dogs

3769 under health and wellbeing it should be including mental and physical health

3770 It's easy for the city to make this list, but if existing areas that meet these principles are not maintained
 3771 to the point of "no return" then the list means nothing. "Guiding principles" mean nothing without
 3772 recognizing that MONEY needs to be invested!

3773 Maintenance of City resource trees and previous City investments. We spend money to enhance
 3774 pathways and then parks does not maintain the boulevard trees or pedestrian infrastructure. Parks
 3775 plans need lifecycle replacements and maintenance of Blvds.

3776 our parks serve as off-street transportation corridors - my primary use and the most important thing to
 3777 me. I commute by bicycle from Auburn Bay to downtown

3778 clean and well maintained parks

3779 Sustainability of the service. You can't expect to keep increasing the operating costs and taxes while
 3780 building more parks. At some point, the service will outgrow the available tax funding base to support it.
 3781 Like in some U.S. cities.

3782 Yes. Non toxic parks. I think when history is written, Calgary will be seen as very backward and behind.
 3783 On the fact, we can continue to spray almost yearly, cosmetic, pesticides on parks, close to the river and
 3784 close to our kids. There's no need.

3785 Perhaps something relating to food security and community gardens - not necessarily in parks, buy
 3786 perhaps in underutilized green spaces and vacant City land.

3787 Transit and Public Accessibility; Safety

3788 I would like to see more art in parks

3789 I don't see anything about ensuring the permanence or growth of park space. The city is growing but our
 3790 parks are the same size. We should be trying to add additional parks if an area densifies, make
 3791 developers pay into a greenspace fund or tree fund.

3792 No

3793 Where is CONSERVATION of greenspace on this list? That should be number 1, which then feeds into the
 3794 others.

3795 Make sure parks are accessible by bike/walking paths.

3796 Preservation of existing parks IN THEIR ENTIRETY! Ex. Richmond Green. Selling off existing ball
 3797 diamonds for redevelopment should not have even been considered. Swapping out the maintenance
 3798 yards for existing park was not a good exchange. No more!

3799 SAFETY

3800 Transportation: As an extension of climate resiliency, using and expanding parks with active modes of
 3801 transportation in mind.

3802 Green space for people without their own backyard. Parks and pathways provide transportation links in
 3803 calgary

3804 Know and prepare for all useage

3805 User experience and enjoyment

3806 yes you have to teach people respect for each other

3807 Where do food services like food trucks fit in? Improve access to public transportation. Bus and train
 3808 stops too far away from major parks except Bowness Park and Fish Creek. You need a car for Nose Hill if
 3809 you don't live locally..

3810 What to do in unsafe situations; expected behaviours and rules of park usage

3811 Talent - Calgary should hire, retrain and welcome the greatest talent in the world. At this time, some
3812 aspects of parks roles and positions are globally competitive. Others are too basic or worse screen out
3813 many fields of study. Edmonton does this better

3814 restoration

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3816 ACTION DIGNITY

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3818 2B. Which personal benefits have you experienced in Calgary's natural environment
3819 parks? - Other option

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3821 No responses recorded

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3823 3B. Which concerns do you have about natural environment parks? Other option

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3825 I usually go to Bird Sanctuary and am not aware of concerns

3826 None

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3828 4. Please share your ideas for how The City of Calgary can improve natural environment
3829 parks either now or in the future?

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3831 Sign boards in other languages, training park staff of being more inclusive, other people being respectful
3832 even people with colour

3833 Have signage that have information about what it is

3834 Have more buses available for these parks

3835 Youth activities

3836 mosquito repellant, natural pesticide

3837 Install batbox

3838 need more peace officer's presence, signage, amenities

3839 Have better washroom facilities + keep them clean - especially when hiking

3840 I have never been to natural park, but I have heard from other people that safety of racialized
3841 communities is an issue. Also please help keep them clean.

3842 Park needs to look after betterly because most of the time grass is over grown and garbage flying all
3843 over

3844 add washrooms, make more pathways, add garbage bins

3845 over grown grass and garbage around, needs washrooms, etc.

3846 provide benches to sit

3847 provide more washrooms, ponds should be enclosed or have a barrier for safety, needs to be cleaned

3848 more parking lot and open year round

3849 Extend the opening time to later hours for the facilities

3850 put more garbage bins

3851 transportation, natural play areas for kids

3852 I am deeply concerned about the usage of the parks - some dog owners do not clean up after their pets -

3853 especially in the NE part of the City. More education on the maintenance of the park/ even for the pests

3854 There should be proper +easy accessibility to disable personals, such parks should be more in numbers

3855 which are more nearby to the communities

3856 If we can have cameras in the parks

3857 I want that the public transport should be easy to take with kids like a shuttle service. Safety features for

3858 kids to be free.

3859 plant flowers, clean drinking water

3860 include facilities like clean drinking water, safety features like helmets, knee pads for kids cycling, shade

3861 over benches

3862 transit should be available, have washrooms and benches for seniors

3863 provide washrooms + garbage pick up

3864 The only concern that we face is that, in the playground areas there should not be concrete under the

3865 swings. Either it should be grass or woodent blocks

3866 Have signage in parks, install garbage bins + washrooms

3867 more parking + transportation will be helpful

3868 Have conversations with the community leaders, organization, etc. Good maitenance, keep them

3869 beautiful

3870 These should be no gravol in the parks as it can hurt kids

3871 regularly maintain park facilities

3872

3873 expanding the native plants in the area

3874 more sport activities

3875 more winter activities, esp indoor

3876 Do not limit access to recreational parks!

3877 more cleaning + maitenance between changing season

3878 add more park amenities make sure the parks in the best condition

3879 cleaning after changing season (dry leaves, dog poops, grass mowing...)

3880 more public washrooms and parkings, more play structures for different age groups

3881 plant more trees and flowers, make playgrounds for children

3882 More facilities like washroom ,water fountain and cleanness with fee is OK

3883 The City can provide more public transportation to get to these parks

3884 The cleanness of the toilets

3885 More toilets at the parks

3886 The City can provide more public transportation to get to these parks ex. Better bus/ train routes

3887 I believe the preservation of the parking is the most important

3888 The City can provide more public transportation to get to their parks

3889 None, parks are perfect

3890 The City can provide more public transportation to get to these parks ex better bus/ train routes

3891 The City can provide more public transportation to get to these parks ex better bus/ train routes

3892 Improve washroom cleanness, more parking

3893 I need more marketing activities about the parks

3894 more accessibility to parks, more sport opportunities in parks

3895 Having more enforcement on dogs off-leash in on leash areas would make it safer and more pleasant for
 3896 my dog and I. Also stands with a place for people to put cigarett buds and a place to grab dog poop bags
 3897 would help clean up the park. Having large paths that include a side for bikes and a separate side for
 3898 walkers would make it more enjoyable and safer especially for elders or people with physical disabilities

3899 conduct surveys regularly to implement conservation plans, monitor plant and animal spaces allowing
 3900 people to get more intrigued about the biodiversity of the parks. Restoration projects to mprove the
 3901 health and functioning of the ecosystem. Get engagement from the community. Volunteer programs -
 3902 helps with innovation.

3903 It's best to spread out public amenities throughout the park, most washrooms are located near the
 3904 parking space and someone inside the park would require to walk all the way back to the start.

3905 n/a

3906 more parks

3907 Washroom amenities

3908 all good

3909 A 24/ 7 security patrol

3910 Have outdoor programs for children i.e nature walks to identify flora + fauna, and birds, ducks, geese,
3911 etc

3912 The City of Calgary can provide more accessible washrooms, garbage bins and public parking (without
3913 fees)

3914 Create more bathrooms for children and garbages more accessible, more parking in Calgary parks, bike
3915 lanes

3916 Have more native plants, wild flowers to encourage bee population + diversity, have classes to teach
3917 residents to grow plants @home/ greeneries, communities gardens

3918 no concern

3919 provide open basketball courts, badminton courts

3920 Increase more trash bins and be more strict about people who bring pets into these kind of park

3921 more accesible washrooms, plant more trees, maitenance, keeping pathways clean

3922 maintained the cleanliness of the park and protecting a natural habitats

3923 no concern

3924 safeguard of the people as top priorities

3925 BY promoting orginally how the parks were meant to celebrated and viewed. They will do it by
3926 educating our kids the wildlife, its beauty and incorporating easier ways to hike in up the mountains
3927 such as driving instead of only hiking

3928 Improve the environment, getting rid of the garbage and improve on washroom accessibility.

3929 More wildlife or variety in plants - what's the difference b/w natural parks + rec parks

3930 Schedule meeting to the community more people is better than one

3931 put pool at the park because family with low income can hang out there and for the kids enjoying it too.

3932 They should have more dogs on leash so kids can run around

3933 more access to public washrooms (cleanliness in washroom) hygienic Also maitenance of park

3934 plant more plants, trees, flowers

3935 more garbage bins and better advertisement

3936 Accessible washrooms- not just in one area, clean drinking water/ vending machine for drinks

3937 Better washrooms, accessible parking, more parking, safe place to go

3938 be more accessible to people with disability - transportation and events. More trees planted, flowers,
3939 and different plants

3940 Lower the litter amount and more trees

3941 They can improve natural parks by keeping their parks more clean, and by regulating the trash thrown.

3942 grow more native plants, use natural fertilizer, maintain natural landscape, pest management control

3943 maintenance and cleanliness

3944 more enforcement on dogs off-leash to make it safer to other user of the park

3945 large paths which could separate the bikers and walkers, especially for those people with disabilities and

3946 elders.

3947 accessibilities of washrooms and its amenities

3948 continuous restoration of projects to improve functionality of the ecosystem

3949 implement conservation plans to monitor plant and animal species

3950 maintain the cleanliness of the park to protect the natural habitats

3951 a 24/7 security patrol

3952 Get engaged with the community to get them involved with innovation

3953 6B. Which personal benefits have you experienced in Calgary's recreational parks?

3954 OTHER OPTION

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3956 unorganized basketball as well as physical activity games

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3958 7B. Which concerns do you have about recreational parks? - OTHER OPTION

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3960 Prairie Winds too crowded - more play area is needed

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3962 8. Please share your ideas for how The City of Calgary can improve recreational parks

3963 either now or in the future?

3964 Have signage In parks about permissible activities

3965 Add more splash pools + ice skating rinks for kids, make them more user friendly specifically SE (illegible)

3966 + NE. These parks are not that beautiful in comparison to parks in NW + SW

3967 We don't have any recreational paths in the deep SE - the area around YMCA Seton

3968 open programs, available to kids, organized sports

3969 Don't have any Bike parking in NE, more shades, more trees, benches

3970 Skate boards, splash parks, wheelchair accessible

3971 More splash parks, programs are not advertised, Junior Park Ranger program Edmonton have it is very
 3972 popular, teach kids about different trees

3973 maybe more public transport to the park

3974 Please install washrooms +benches, some parks are not accessible via transit

3975 some parks are in very poor condition

3976 add more sitting and relaxing areas, add more water fountains

3977 parking and less equipment in the parks too much rush

3978 Add more benches and public parking

3979 more washrooms, exercise equipment, some specified sports field, dog poops cleanup

3980 more places to reduce crowded

3981 increase parking areas to allow more users to use it

3982 more sitting areas + more water fountains

3983 The parks should be cleaned properly, there is dog poop everywhere more water fountains should be
 3984 available

3985 it should be monitored by a peace keeper or police

3986 There are certain parks especially in NE where population is immense + the amenities are less, should
 3987 have proper arrangements for cultural events, public washrooms are either one or two but too far in the
 3988 park

3989 Some time kids are sad for swings because their turns are late so in every park plz available swing as you
 3990 can

3991 Add more flowers, kill mosquitos please, spray in parks to control insects, mosquitos

3992 more benches + garbage pickups more signage, work something out to make parks safe, remove social
 3993 disorder

3994 install washrooms as I have kids, no safety or fence around Savana Park - kids run towards roads, park
 3995 surface is not even, install water fountains

3996 I believe , everything is quite perfect

3997 provide more parking spaces, install washroom

3998 Need more activities in the park like skating in winter

3999 Keep them well maintained, do some educational sessions about how to use parks responsibly. Have
 4000 signage on rules to use the park

4001 upkeep the equipment to maintain safety

4002 do not limit access to recreational parks

4003 Create a website for prior booking the given areas (picnic, yoga...at certain time to avoid the conflict
4004 between users.

4005 makes sure the park is in the best condition - make sure it is enjoyable

4006 n/a

4007 More signages and interaction from different social platforms so ther are more awareness to the
4008 facilities

4009 make playgrounds for children, disabled accessibility

4010 more time for public

4011 The City can keep the park cleaner by adding more garbage bins

4012 The cleanness of the toilets

4013 The City can keep parks clean by adding more garbage recycle bins.

4014 n/a

4015 The City can keep the parks cleaner by adding more garbage/ recycling bins

4016 The City can keep the parks cleaner by adding more garbage/ recycling bins

4017 More activities please

4018 The access to recreational parks and more accessibility, have cleaner environment in parks

4019 upgrade facilities and maitenance - add playground equipment, sports fields, picnic areas, restrooms.
4020 Increase accessibility - all individuals and all abilities

4021 provide weekly cleaners to clean up stray garbage aroudn the parks or promoted better care of personal
4022 waste

4023 A 24/ 7 security patrol

4024 show signage for the paths to be more accessible + clear. Parks also need to have some food stalls and
4025 ask local businesses, more bathrooms, more off-leash dog parks

4026 no concern

4027 provide skating structures (skateboarding)

4028 Improving public transportation, making it more accessible for non-english speakers - QR codes on bus
4029 stops to see waiting times, option on changing language in app

4030 having more activities fund for youth to enjoy the recreational parks would be helpful to individual and
4031 getting a full benefits for using it

4032 no concern

4033 Provide a safe + fun educational experience w/ all people

4034 I believe meaningful improvement can be done in these parks through capturing our online audience
 4035 that arent as motivated to enjoy in our parks. We will promote memories in a grand or collective idea so
 4036 recording them doing sports or more then displaying these records in classes, work fields, etc

4037 add more washrooms for useage

4038 More fitness parks that are natural (illegible) (loose play)

4039 people should not bully at thee kind of park naad put more basketball

4040 outdoor gyms, more playgrounds

4041 garbage bins

4042 make it more safe for kids to play

4043 recreation for people with disability

4044 More interactive and entertaining attractions

4045 Many recreational parks have vandalism or equipment that is not accessible to everyone

4046 create intentional space for social gathering, create park maitenance schedule

4047 more information about activities, location

4048 more public art installations (murals, sculptures, paintings)

4049 upgrade facilities and maitenance (playground, sports equipment, picnic areas)

4050 increase accessibility - all individuals and all abilities

4051 having more activities for the youths in terms of funding - get a full benefits for using the park.

4052 ask local businesses to support recreational parks

4053 putting up of exercise equipment for elders

4054 washrooms always closed

4055 Very crowded, no chance to find a playing area

4056 No bike parks/lanes in the NE area

4057 Drinking alcohol and nudity/sexual activities happens in the parks. Not comfortable sendning parks
 4058 there.

4059 Need more peace officers to patrol to combat harassment and social sidorder.

4060 Install CCTV cameras.

4061 More signage needed including information on who to call.

4062 More amenities are needed specifically washrooms, splash parks in more parsrk

4063 Lots of mosquitos, very hard to enjoy parks. Our backyard is in front of a pond. I called 311 and they
 4064 replied there is nothing they can do.

4065 Use of bat boxes to eat mosquitos.

4066 Lack of activities.

4067 Need to provide free sports programs/training for kids

4068 City can hire youth in summer to take care of parks and provide gift cards for them

4069 Provide more shaded areas either by trees or artificial shaded areas with benches

4070 In Edmontom, there is a program called " Junior Park Rangers" for teaching kids about parks and trees
 4071 and lets them plant a tree under their name.

4072 Sign boards in other languages (may be at least language majority of people speak in that particular
 4073 area)

4074 Training park staff on being more inclusive and cultural competency

4075 Signs saying 'be respectful of others using the parks', 'no abusive/racist language' etc

4076

4077 9. Which of the following aspects of culture in Calgary's parks are most important to you?
 4078 Select up to five - OTHER OPTION
 4079

4080 I haven't attend and culture event in Calgary parks but attended a lot in private locations

4081 I don't use park to connect but it is nice to see people

4082 outdoor theatre would be nice

4083 musical events such as outdoor concerts

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4085 10. Which concerns do you have about the cultural aspects of Calgary's parks? Select up
 4086 to five. – OTHER OPTION
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4088 Public transit takes too long. Bus Stop is too far from park

4089 maybe? (circled word accessibility)

4090 timing schedule

4091 Put security officer/s on post

4092 need to self educate to assess accurately

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4094 16. Are there any guiding principles you feel are missing? If yes, would you mind telling us
4095 what they are?
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4098 FAIR ENTRY

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4100 2B. Which personal benefits have you experienced in Calgary's natural environment
4101 parks? - Other option

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4103 I get relax and good feeling

4104 Well maintained, clean, security

4105 easy access, pathways (exercise) wellness, family time

4106 mental health, relax

4107 relax

4108 I have five kids with me. My family loves to go to the park. Great enjoyment

4109 A green space to walk on and energizes me

4110 Better mental health

4111 Makes me think about the plants and animals species

4112 I like to walk in these kind of parksit gives a nice workout and good views

4113 Makes me think about the different types of species

4114 Makes me think about the environment

4115 Fresh air when I go for walks

4116 The benefits I experience for each would be the physical and mental health

4117 It gives Calgarians access to nature improving physical and mental health

4118

4119 3B. Which concerns do you have about natural environment parks? Other option

4120 I don't have concern

4121 the cleanliness, the safety

4122 pathways not cleared during winter/spring season makes it hazardous/less accessible

4123 a lot of just if it is

4124 No

4125 Sometime little risk but I am not concerning about

4126 Sometimes I don't feel safe to go alone because of people

4127 Keeping them clean and safe

4128 People littering and not cleaning after themselves

4129 Littering but that can be fixed

4130 Littering and not cleaning up

4131 Not enough play stuff

4132 My concerns are the erosion for the flooding

4133 None

4134 4. Please share your ideas for how The City of Calgary can improve natural environment
parks either now or in the future?

4135 If it is possible to have plant flowers more

4136 upgrade of equipment, security cameras, security guards

4137 cleaner pathways

4138 organize different events for people

4140 Open gym

4141 great future opportunity for community

4142 More safety features are needed to be installed to provide secure places

4143 Keeping them clean

4144 focus on environmental learning

4145 focus environmental learning

4146 Focus more on environment learning and helping the environment

4147 Focus environmental learning

4148 Maybe improving the pollutants from the air

4149 More parks, trees

4150 mosquitos: not able to enjoy the environmnet, edmonton sprays natural pesticides that don't allow
4151 mosquitos to grow

4152 access to parks is hard aand not all parks are accessible using transit. Many parks are too far away to go

4153 Make some cmfortable and wider trails

4154 Install some benches to rst between long walks

4155 Add CCTV camera

4156 Have signage/sign boards that tells people what park is it and activities permitted.

4157

4158 6B. Which personal benefits have you experienced in Calgary's recreational parks?

4159 OTHER OPTION

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4161 I use recreation centre for my health

4162 easy access, time to connect with families, picnic sites and BBQ sites

4163 relax, enjoy life

4164 Health

4165 It's good for the health and red of the polution

4166 So many places for outdoor sports for physical wellness

4167 Keeps you active

4168 I like to take walks which calm me down

4169 I like to play sports and that is a good work out

4170 I like to take walks which helps with my strong

4171 I like to take walks

4172 I like to take walks

4173 The playgrounds and the ice skating

4174 It assist Calgarians to practice different sport activities

4175 It gives us place to bond with family specially during summertime

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4177 7B. Which concerns do you have about recreational parks? - OTHER OPTION

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No concerns

lake of opportunity

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4180 8. Please share your ideas for how The City of Calgary can improve recreational parks

4181 either now or in the future?

4182 give the chance more to people to open some food service

4183 supervision

4184 An opportunit with intellectual dissabilities to have fun in their own way

4185 add some to be separate for children

4186 Open gym

4187 I would like to have more parks.

4188 More security is needed

4189 n/a

4190 Adding more private spaces or pathways

4191 Adding and representing more sports to parks

4192 Adding more private spaces or pathways

4193 Adding more pathways

4194 Adding more private spaces

4195 Maybe reconstructing the facilities that get used by the recreational activities

4196 More parks and trees

4197

4198 9. Which of the following aspects of culture in Calgary's parks are most important to you?

4199 Select up to five - OTHER OPTION

4200

4201 it is good to get knowledge

4202 learning new things (history) being apart of history passing it along to family members

4203 Be part of culture, have connection with society

4204 to be in society

4205

4206 10. Which concerns do you have about the cultural aspects of Calgary's parks? Select up to five. – OTHER OPTION

4207

4208 No concern

4209 more events

4210 loitering/vandalism/racism

4211 too much people

4212 No

4213 there's no issue about

4214 People tend to fight making groups because of personal grudges

4215 n/a

4216 Many cultures can be excluded in activities
4217 exclusion many cultures feel excluded
4218 Many other cultures are excluded
4219 Many cultures are excluded
4220 Looking at natural
4221 Maybe doing more about the local history so it can be predated better and respected
4222 Washrooms should be repaired as fast as possible. Prairie winds park (burst pipes)
4223 16. Are there any guiding principles you feel are missing? If yes, would you mind telling us
4224 what they are?
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4229 4. Which benefits of natural environment parks does your organization, business or
4230 agency align with? Select up to four. – OTHER OPTION

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4232 Sustainable Ecosystems through connectivity of Open Spaces

4233 ecosystem services especially flood and drought mitigation/ natural infrastructure

4234 Education and outreach - further extension to learning opportunities. Citizen science.

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4236 5. Which concerns does your business, organization or agency have about natural
4237 environment parks? Select up to five. – OTHER OPTION

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4239 Lack of clear direction in park planning documents and standards

4240 Use of pesticides, vandalism, disturbing any wildlife.

4241 Conflicts with Wildlife and Ecosystems

4242 not enough naturalization in existing parks and open spaces

4243 Maintaining and celebrating historic aspects of a park or natural landscape.

4244 Lack of a Park Master Plan and a Park Management Plan. Lack of clear designation of approved trails.

4245 loss/ fragmentation from land development pressure/ degradation from overuse

4246 Encroachment from neighbouring homes. Overall health of the park space and continued

4247 investment/value. Concern with the impact of development and the private/public land overlap.

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4249 6. Please share your ideas for how The City of Calgary can improve natural environment
4250 parks either now or in the future?

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4252 consolidate planning documents for the environmental parks space and constine language and direction
4253 from City of Calgary

4254 Make them accessible, but not too accessible. Natural parks should be primarily for nature & wildlife
4255 rather than for large numbers of people.

4256 Nose Creek can and should become an Inter-Municipal Park System. A green-belt that connects both
4257 Calgary Communities and Calgary with other Municipalities. While also creating a wildlife corridor.

4258 Currently it is being used as a dumping ground and inner-city dirt bike track because the city does not
 4259 own the land to enforce rules to protect the creek and threatened species habitats.

4260 Use all open spaces (e.g. regular parks, storm water management facilities, right-of-ways) to create
 4261 opportunities for naturalized areas (preserved AND created) to realize the multiple benefits of nature
 4262 and ecosystem services especially in the face of climate change adaptation

4263 Please don't block wildlife corridors.

4264 Designate areas within natural environments for use by those looking to meditate or do yoga or Force
 4265 bathing type practices.

4266 Dog owners allowing their pets off-leash is a real problem for us.

4267 Parks in Calgary can be very busy with multiple users, many people need quiet spaces to connect to
 4268 nature for their health and wellbeing. One suggestion is to designate lesser used parks (or areas of
 4269 parks) for nature connection practices such as forest bathing, mindfulness, outdoor yoga, or herb walks.
 4270 Having quieter spaces with less people can have a profoundly positive impact on mental health.

4271 Careful consideration is needed for managing use while also achieving protection of wildlife, wildlife
 4272 habitat, biodiversity, ecological integrity, water quality, and sensitive riverbanks. As the city's
 4273 population grows these challenges will intensify. Education, signage and access control tools are needed
 4274 to protect sensitive areas. Improved ecological connectivity is important.

4275 More education and/or by-law for inappropriate uses. More signage about plantings.

4276 There is a critical need for a Park Master Plan and Park Management Plan for Paskapoo Slopes Natural
 4277 Park. There needs to be clearly designated trails with signage and education. There needs to be
 4278 appropriate development restrictions for the surrounding developable areas for setbacks and
 4279 appropriate interface.

4280 "From my experience the City does an amazing job managing and protecting the parks. The addition of
 4281 toilets would help people from relieving themselves in the bushes. Also, closer monitoring of the port-a-
 4282 potties to ensure they are clean.

4283 Lazy Day Raft Rentals is committed to Tourism Calgary with all our staff being white hat certified.
 4284 Promoting and sharing all that our great city has to offer."

4285 It would be wonderful to have designated nature play spaces within these parks- it's important to
 4286 educate about preservation and protection, but also important to have a space where kids can directly
 4287 interact with nature in meaningful ways (for kids, that is through play!).

4288 Provide opportunities for groups to gather, meet and collectively share thoughts, ideas and celebrate
 4289 successes. Find ways to continue to educate through signage/activities. Provide grants or partnering
 4290 support for private land reclamation/restoration projects. Continue to fund natural area maintenance
 4291 and restoration, including requesting additional funding options to council/higher governments.

4292 9 Which benefits of recreational parks does your organization, business or agency align
 4293 with? Select up to four. – OTHER OPTION

4294 Opportunities to share heritage stories that help to create a sense of place for park users

4295 Places to host events, places to teach & inspire

4296 10. What concerns does your business, organization or agency have about recreational
4297 parks? Select up to five. – OTHER OPTION

4298 consolidate planning documents for the recreation parks space and constant language and direction
4299 from City of Calgary

4300 Use of pesticides for weed control.

4301 We would like to list more cultural landscapes that tell the stories of Indigenous Peoples

4302 Lack of plant diversity in many greenspaces and parks

4303 Age of infrastructure (playgrounds and benches), drug users, cameras at skate parks especially when
4304 adjacent to a community association LOC.

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4306 11. Please share your ideas for how the City of Calgary can improve recreational parks
4307 now or in the future?

4308 consolidate planning documents for the recreation parks space and uniform language and direction
4309 from City of Calgary

4310 Consider a pilot project, as in Edmonton, of using goats for weed control.

4311 Pathways through Nose Creek would help direct traffic. Currently people are making their own paths
4312 which can harm the health of the wildlife, ecosystem and creek.

4313 Passive recreation and opportunities to connect with nature in the City need to be explored further

4314 We struggle with decrepit outdoor furniture and lack of garbage bins.

4315 Designate parks or areas of parks for quieter activities like forest bathing or mindfulness activities.

4316 I think the edges of these spaces are under-utilized and could be enhanced with diverse plantings (also
4317 beneficial in providing shade, relaxation for sport users). I think there could be more multi-use spaces -
4318 e.g. playgrounds near fields and dog parks, habitat corridors etc. Parks don't need to be single-use (e.g.
4319 only sport fields).

4320 While public transportation in Calgary is amazing. Getting from downtown to Baker Park is an arduous
4321 task. We get several complaints each season from guests who have tried to catch public transit to
4322 Baker. Usually around it takes too long and we had to walk too far.

4323 At least one park in each community should be improved upon and offer amenities for all users. Many of
4324 the parks in established communities are run down and very unattractive.

4325 we need flush toilets available year round on the south side of Edworthy park!

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4327 13. Which of the following aspects of culture in Calgary's parks align with your
 4328 organization, business or agency mandate? Select up to four. – OTHER OPTION
 4329
 4330 The Paskapoo Slopes is a very significant archaeological area with First Nations use extending back over
 4331 8000 years
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 4333 14. Which concerns does your organization, business or agency have about the cultural
 4334 aspects of Calgary's parks? Select up to five.
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 4336 consolidate planning documents for the culture spaces and uniform language and direction from City of
 4337 Calgary
 4338 We would like to be able to tell the stories of historic cultural landscapes through our website and on-
 4339 site information.
 4340 accessibility - e.g. no ramps in Richmond Green to get between levels of the park
 4341 There is very little recognition of the cultural significance of the area and much more could be done to
 4342 promote education and interpretative
 4343 Park that is closest to clients is maintained inconsistently and shouldn't be reliant upon 311 service
 4344 requests.
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 4346 15 Please share your ideas for how Calgary can improve parks that connect Calgarians to
 4347 culture-past, present and future?
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 4349 The Nose Creek Valley is filled with Tipi Rings / Bison Bones / Arrowheads and other signs of First
 4350 Nations Artifacts. The Balzac Archeological Site is not marked and the last remaining undisturbed
 4351 portion of the North Trail is at risk of being disturbed. We have so much First Nation History in the Nose
 4352 Creek Valley that is not being told and needs a Park Created around it to preserve the history
 4353 There are few parks in Calgary that truly celebrate and honour traditional indigenous cultures and the
 4354 historical cultural significance of our parks.
 4355 signage, encouraging cultural events, utilizing edge-spaces of current parks (recreational) or green
 4356 spaces to hold specific plantings (e.g native plants, indigenous- valued plants).
 4357 The Blackfoot are the most closely associated with this Park and should have a significant role in
 4358 developing a plan that includes opportunities for them to re-connect with these lands and to share their
 4359 stories and rich history with visitors to the Park.
 4360 18. For any guiding principle you do not agree with, please explain why.
 4361 Equity, overall do benefit equal equity for park spaces within City of Calgary, both from parks and open
 4362 space side and recreations (sports fields). The overall focus seems to outer edges of the city with new
 4363 park development and less with older communit

4364 I agree with all of them. Reducing pesticide use would be a good addition to a healthy environment.

4365 Culture is not a priority

4366 N/A

4367 Maintaining a healthy environment sometimes requires hard choices like limiting or restricting high
 4368 intensity activities. Some Calgarians can benefit from having parks that are quiet retreats but this
 4369 doesn't seem to be criteria.

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4371 20. Are there any guiding principles you feel are missing? If yes, please tell us what they
 4372 are.

4373 There needs to modern updates to specifications for all park development for consistent delivery for
 4374 current and future parks.

4375 I would add under Celebration of Culture that the city also weave Indigenous peoples' thinking into the
 4376 fabric of its decision making by planning seven generations ahead whether for parks or for urban
 4377 development that destroys natural spaces.

4378 I think "Properly Funded" should be added. What we are learning about Parks is that they don't have a
 4379 revenue stream like other departments. Leaving the department to be reactive/passive and not
 4380 proactive. Calgary needs more natural Parks, it takes money.

4381 Biodiversity and opportunities to clean water

4382 Protecting heritage areas

4383 Your guiding principles are great. I recommend you find more ways to provide opportunities to support
 4384 people's health and wellness through specific areas for quiet contemplative activities that can be
 4385 accessible by many

4386 Ecological connectivity - biodiversity - wildlife corridors - community gardens

4387 Creating a sense of place

4388 Integration - these are often treated as silos - parks seem to have one purpose instead of multiple. Even
 4389 recreational parks could be used for more activities and support more biodiversity and cultural plantings

4390 Decision making rarely puts the environment first, so that hardly counts as a guiding principle. It would
 4391 be great if at least it came 3rd! How is the environmental value even measured in the decision making?
 4392 Start with more transparency.

4393 I would like to see a tourism principal. We host guests each year from around the world and they marvel
 4394 at our parks and trails. I have lived all over the world and this is one of the best cities anywhere for parks
 4395 and trails within city limits. Share it!

4396 connecting children to nature through play- kids need safe places to play beyond just a built playground.
 4397 Also very concerned with increased encampments in parks.

4398 This plan sounds very Calgary-centred (which I understand). Some of the principles aren't captured in
4399 colonial borders. There is a need to factor regional decisions and plans to fully capture the end goal. This
4400 includes supporting neighbouring places.

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