



# Riley Park Fitness Equipment

Stakeholder Report Back: What we Heard

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## Project overview

Riley Park features a wide pathway around its perimeter and a playground on the SW corner. To leverage these existing amenities, fitness equipment complete with fall surfacing will be placed adjacent to the playground area. Parents who are taking their children to the playground could use the equipment or fitness classes could utilize it for bootcamps. This encourages extended use of amenities for people visiting the park.

The goals for the design included:

- Equipment is accessible (fall surfacing is ADA compliant and connected to pathway).
- Equipment provides a versatile number of types of workouts (arms, legs, back, etc.).
- Equipment is low maintenance (preferably static equipment rather than dynamic).
- Equipment is fun and encourages people to use it (e.g. monkey bars, bamboo shoots, etc.).

## Engagement overview

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, engagement was conducted entirely online with opportunity to provide input by visiting [engage.calgary.ca/kensingtonarea/riley-fitness-equipment](https://engage.calgary.ca/kensingtonarea/riley-fitness-equipment) or calling 311. Public feedback was accepted from August 31 until September 19, 2021.

## What we asked

Participants were asked to provide qualitative feedback regarding two conceptual designs: Fitness Circuit (Option 1) and Obstacle Course (Option 2).

Participants were asked to assess the fitness equipment options in their ability to appeal to a wider demographic. The two options were proposed to help parents extend parks visits with their children at the park and provide an amenity that could be utilized by local bootcamp operators.

Stakeholders could provide feedback regarding what they liked about each design and what they would do to improve the design. Citizens also had the opportunity to provide additional questions or comments to the project team regarding each option.

## What we heard

In general, the fitness circuit option received more favourable feedback than the obstacle course. Stakeholders indicated the fitness circuit concept would be more intuitive to the broader public and some recommended integrating a unique element from the obstacle course (e.g. the climbing wall) within the



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fitness park option. The obstacle course was regarded as a unique and fun option, but stakeholders questioned if it would be used by the broader public. Participants made design suggestions for the project team such as integration of low impact machinery for seniors and ensuring the amenity was accessible to people with limited mobility. A group of respondents asked how the design could incorporate elements for children to enable families to practice fitness together.

Key concerns raised by participants across Option 1 and Option 2:

- Riley Park is an urban park with limited green space and either option would lessen the greenspace footprint in the park.
- Participants expressed concern that these options, and specifically the climbing wall, created the potential for injuries and safety issues.
- Stakeholders made observations that other outdoor fitness facilities in the city did not appear well used and asked how it was determined that this type of amenity would be well utilized at Riley Park.

For a detailed summary of the input that was provided, please see the [Summary of Input](#) section.

For a verbatim listing of all the input that was provided, please see the [Verbatim Responses](#) section.

## Next steps

The public feedback received during this phase of engagement will be used in conjunction with technical analysis and cost considerations to select which projects will be carried forward for implementation. Phase 3 Engagement will include the presentation of refined design drawings of the projects that were selected through the Phase 2. The public can expect the Kensington Area Improvements Project Phase 3 to launch in the winter of 2022.

## Summary of Input

What do you like about this design option?

Category	Response summary
Flexible Use / Variety of Exercises	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participants commented Option 1 would provide a multi-purpose fitness opportunity that could be used by a spectrum of fitness levels. Respondents indicated Option 1 would likely appeal to more demographics when compared to the Option 2 obstacle course.</li> <li>A few participants felt the fitness circuit option would hold up year-round and provide four season programming.</li> </ul>
All Ages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stakeholders expressed support for the all-ages appeal that the fitness circuit would offer. A few respondents felt this was an amenity that parents and children could experience together.</li> </ul>
Good equipment options	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participants were generally supportive of the equipment pieces presented in Option 1.</li> <li>Respondents cited the Louise Riley Adult Fitness Park as containing a good variety of equipment and the project team should provide a similar assortment and layout at Riley Park.</li> </ul>
Not supportive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stakeholders in this category were not supportive of this option for reasons such as not liking the proposed equipment and noting that similar fitness parks in other neighbourhoods were not well utilized.</li> </ul>
Easy to use / usable by many abilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participants liked the accessible design of the fitness park option and felt it had potential to be used by a variety of people including older adults and people with mobility limitations.</li> </ul>
General support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stakeholders in this category provided comments of support for an outdoor fitness amenity at Riley Park.</li> </ul>
Simplicity of equipment / static equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Citizens communicated this concept could function as an extension to the playground area and provided feedback that the equipment should be simple and static for easy maintenance.</li> </ul>
Many people can use at same time	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participants provided positive feedback that the fitness circuit that could be utilized by multiple people at the same time.</li> </ul>

What would you do to improve this design option? Please tell us why.

Category	Response Summary
Include accessible equipment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participants indicated that equipment targeted at older adults, such as an elliptical or other low impact exercise pieces, would receive high usage.</li> <li>Stakeholder explicitly cited Louise Riley Fitness Park as containing a preferred layout and equipment selection.</li> </ul>

Include movable features	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Citizens suggested features that could be moved around, such as tethered kettleballs or boxes that could be stacked by children or used for exercises, would be well utilized.</li> </ul>
Include Option B Design/Style/Elements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stakeholders suggested integrating specific features from the Option B design, such as the climbing wall, to provide a fun challenge within the fitness circuit format.</li> </ul>
Integration with park amenities and playground	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participants suggested that soft surfacing, like the playground area, would enhance accessibility and provide continuity between the playground and fitness area.</li> <li>Benches and picnic tables were suggested as a feature that could bridge the area between the playground and fitness park. A few respondents suggested natural, wood like materials should be used as much as possible in the fitness area design to blend in with the greenery of Riley Park.</li> </ul>
Include instructional signage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stakeholders indicated the importance of park signage demonstrating proper usage of fitness equipment.</li> </ul>
Intergenerational aspects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participants recommended that a minimum number of equipment pieces should be designed with older adults in mind.</li> </ul>
Not supportive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A group of stakeholders were generally not supportive of a fitness park being installed at Riley Park citing a shortage of greenspace at the park and the likelihood it would be underutilized.</li> </ul>
Enhance esthetic and layout	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stakeholders suggested the project team consider ways to make the area vibrant and colourful. A few respondents felt the concept plan looked institutional and could benefit from the integration of natural elements and vibrant colours.</li> </ul>

Do you have any additional questions about this design option?

Category	Response Summary
Space requirement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participants inquired how much green space would be consumed by the footprint of the fitness area.</li> </ul>
Purpose of equipment pieces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stakeholders were unclear of the purpose of certain equipment such as the poles with white markings. A few respondents commented they needed more detailed designs and/or descriptions to offer feedback.</li> </ul>
Amenity/feature suggestions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participants offered suggestions for equipment such as low impact options and rules/limitations for when bootcamp operators could use equipment.</li> </ul>
Not supportive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Comments and questions that were unsupportive of the project asked how The City determined a fitness circuit amenity would be well used in Riley Park and communicated a feeling that there was inadequate green space for a fitness area and/or they believe it would not be well used.</li> </ul>
Too stark/minimalist	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stakeholders indicated the equipment as presented appeared intimidating, not user-friendly, and visually unappealing.</li> </ul>

#### Option 2 – Obstacle Course

This concept option was presented as an obstacle course that provided an assortment of climbing equipment to challenge different techniques and abilities.

What do you like about this design option?

Category	Response summary
Dislike	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stakeholders in this category did not offer any supportive comments for the Option 2 design concept. Respondents expressed that an obstacle course concept would receive less usage than an outdoor fitness area, did not appeal to a broad audience, and citizens would not inherently know how to use it.</li> </ul>
Specific Equipment - Climbing Wall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The climbing wall received more comments than the other pieces of equipment. Participants indicated this would be a unique addition to the park, but the other equipment pieces would not be well used. A few respondents suggested adding the climbing structure to the fitness park concept.</li> </ul>
"Looks fun"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participants in this category liked that the option presented as a fun, adventurous amenity that would be unique in the Calgary park inventory.</li> </ul>
All Ages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stakeholders liked that Option B would be used by families and kids as well as adults seeking outdoor fitness opportunities.</li> </ul>
General Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Comments of generalized support specified that this concept looked different to other park amenities found in Calgary and felt it could be a destination within Riley Park.</li> </ul>

What would you do to improve this design option? Please tell us why.

Category	Response Summary
Feature suggestions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participants suggested alternatives to the proposed assortment of equipment including low impact options, benches, waste reciprocals and instructional signage.</li> <li>A few stakeholders asked the project team to consider a hybrid concept that offered both fitness and obstacles course features.</li> </ul>
Not supportive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stakeholders in this category expressed that Option 2 was not the best option for Riley Park. A few participants indicated that this option would appear run down in a few years and would not serve a diversity of users.</li> </ul>
Importance of site accessibility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Respondents asked if consideration was given to universal design and how people using mobility devices would use this space.</li> </ul>
Remove poles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participants were unclear what purpose the vertical poles would serve, and a few respondents suggested replacing them with features from the fitness area concept.</li> </ul>
Project question/clarification needed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Comments in this category communicated a need for more detail to understand how the obstacle course would be experienced by users and/or a lack of clarity what the obstacle course features were.</li> </ul>

Instructional/sharing etiquette signage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participants suggested installation of instructional signage illustrating how to use course equipment and outline etiquette rules for using the amenity when more than one person is present.</li> </ul>
All ages	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stakeholders requested features for children be considered in the design, so families are able to play and workout together.</li> </ul>

Do you have any additional questions about this design option?

Category	Response summary
Material clarification	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participants posed specific inquiries about the equipment or materials used (e.g. what finish type would be used on the poles).</li> <li>A few participants wanted to better understand the size and materials used to construct the climbing wall.</li> </ul>
Safety concerns	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stakeholders expressed concern over user safety on the Option 2 design and questioned if there was a way to mitigate injuries.</li> </ul>
Location	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A few participants requested clarification regarding the precise location of this amenity within Riley Park.</li> </ul>
Bamboo sticks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participants expressed confusion regarding how the bamboo stick feature would be used and if the public would understand its purpose.</li> </ul>
Not worthy of investment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stakeholders stated that they did not feel this design was the best use of funds.</li> </ul>
All ages potential	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participants queried how this could be designed in such a way to attract users from many different age groups and expressed optimism that it could be utilized by children and adults.</li> </ul>
Option 1 would be better used	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Participants articulated a preference for Option 1 and/or needed to see a detailed design of the obstacle course to properly understand how it would look in the park.</li> </ul>

## Verbatim Comments

Verbatim comments presented here include all feedback, suggestions, comments and messages that were collected online and in-person through the engagement described in this report. All input has been reviewed and provided to Project Teams to be considered in decision making for the project.

Any personal identifying information has been removed from the verbatim comments presented here. Comments or portions of comments that contain profanity, or that are not in compliance with the [City's Respectful Workplace Policy](#) or [Online Tool Moderation Practice](#), have also been removed from participant submissions.

Wherever possible the remainder of the submissions remains. No other edits to the feedback have been made, and the verbatim comments are as received. As a result, some of the content in this verbatim record may still be considered offensive or distasteful to some readers.

### Option A Fitness Circuit – What do you like about this design option?

- I think I prefer this option but I am not sure that I would use either option. Cleanliness of the equipment is of concern.
- Versatile
- Compared to other option, more variety of type of activity, though some issues noted
- This fitness circuit is neat but similar to other fitness circuits in the city. I do like that this space could host many individuals without feeling like they are in eachothers space.
- Good goal to create a full body fitness approach
- Caters to a wider variety of people, ages and abilities.
- This seems more practical and something people would use.
- Useable for all ages
- Creates more activities for people using this park and promotes physical fitness in general.
- It is a multi-use option with numerous possible ways to utilize, thus accommodating people of a variety of abilities.
- I like the idea of fitness equipment
- Looks good, question who would actually use it
- Useful
- This seems simple but versatile
- Nothing. Just leave the park as is. People have fun there. This type of equipment often sits idle.
- Both are great ideas. Much better than the body-weight mobile equipment in some other locations in the city.

- i think this design options would work for a wide variety of people.
- Do not like this design
- I feel like these sorts of installations in other neighbourhoods are not highly used
- Great variety and design allows diverse age group to participate.
- nothing
- ability to accomodate multiple people working on a variety of muscle groups
- Ok if it gets used
- versatile equipment for many different exercises.
- This looks really good for upper body strength and is static.
- I like this option the most. I'm an avid gym-goer and I can think of a lot of workouts I could do with this set-up. I think it's effective.
- Functional design for body weight training
- I like that you have the option to exercise all you muscle groups
- A very large amount of options for specific workouts
- prefer this option. leaves lots of opportunities for a large variety of exercising.
- I like the climbing options
- Thankfully, it's not too much like one of those beef-cakey outdoor gyms we see too much (in Ukraine, it was dominated by greasy men in Speedos). Might be less likely to just get hi-jacked by the kids, but let's be real--kids will love this jungle-gym.
- I like that it's not mobile equipment, which is always clunky and too large for me. This seems flexible and adaptable to needs.
- Not a lot
- I like that theres a huge variety of ways to use te equipment, and lots of different equipment
- I like that it includes all muscle groups
- Its simple and fuctional
- Useable by more people.
- I think this is a good addition as well as provides a park for older kids, teens and adults.
- This one looks more friendly for the children who might also want to use it
- Likely to be utilized by more people. I prefer this option.
- chin ups baby. get some reps in
- Versatility
- Range of activities and sizes
- I think more people would use it
- Seems suited for the surrounding community.
- This is OK. It provides something for the older kids.
- It has real fitness equipment
- No, it looks like mostly climbing? Why not use the style that's up by the fire hall on 16 Ave and 19 St. Also at Edworthy Park. More fun.
- These things look slightly more familiar to me than the second option.



- Out of the two options, this looks more versatile; people could do a lot more different activities
- Not much
- Numerous stations, could be utilized by a number of people at the same time.
- Bars to hand from (ie/chinups), boxes for box jumps.
- It suits wider range of abilities and workout styles.
- versatile, and fits with the various acro-yoga people who frequent the park
- Probably usable for lots of folks, but I'm way more likely to use the obstacle course option as it looks more fun
- Everything. Its functionality and potential seems limitless compared to Option 2, as it has various horizontal and vertical structures that perform a multitude of functions. People can even use resistance bands to further elevate its capabilities.
- Love the idea of outdoor fitness circuit for all
- It looks clean and it would hold up in all weather. But it doesn't seem very fun.
- Varied, multi-purpose.
- I love this option. Even better if you can have "movable" equipment similar to an outdoor gym. I'm really excited to see fitness equipment at the park!
- Circuit training which includes strength training
- More flexible use than Option 2
- It is unusual. I am not sure how one would use the equipment, unless they are a gymnast. Why not think simple and literally install outdoor gym?
- Open for all
- It's okay.

## Option A Fitness Circuit – What would you do to improve this design option? Please tell us why.

- Limit seating area or places to sleep. Too many homeless and aggressive people hanging out and sleeping in the Hillhurst/Sunnyside/Kensington Area
- Adding the climbing wall to this design might be a good middle grounds.
- Add more parkour components
- Body-weight options for pectoral, back, and leg muscle groups
- More familiar type of weighted/resistant equipment would be WAY better
- Is there any way to make it look better? The design above looks kind of institutional.
- Equipment similar to the ones in the park near Louise Riley seem more intuitive.
- Don't put it in.
- maybe adding a cardio feature to it.
- Spread it out along the playground so child supervision is possible. More spacing for safety and easier maintenance
- perhaps option for rings? Otherwise, this looks functional and fun for all ages.

- can it
- maybe a bit of a hybrid with option 2 and add climbing wall/ remove some of the horiz bars
- It looks good for young people, not older individuals
- perhaps addition of the climbing wall in option 2 would complement this design nicely
- It's not as aesthetically pleasing as option 2, but it's far from ugly.
- Maybe make better use of those stools (besides just a box jump spot)
- Add signage instructing proper use
- need tiny step to do calf raises
- add more leg exercises
- I feel like this offers a lot of over-head & arm activities, but not enough lower & larger muscle group activities (like lunges, balancing, agility, etc.)
- Add more arm exercise options for people in wheelchairs and some color so it doesn't look gloomy. Ensure if this is on recycled tire surface that this is not on black, which offgases in the sun and causes headaches
- I would much prefer an outdoor gym with equipment that moves
- I think the rockwall is B is pretty cool, would be cool here as well. I'd also like some dynamic equipment, but I can see how that would be a pain to maintain
- Ensure signage for how to use equipment is clear
- Ensure accessibility for all ages & abilities
- Please add more benches and picnic tables around the playground and this installation.
- A soft surface for landing
- Make some of the supports from wood so it has a more organic look that blends in with the park.
- more places for chin ups; why the stools. scap that
- Placards that give suggestions on how to use the equipment
- Add the climbing wall from option 2. Plus possible to add free weights or kettle bells attached to cables for anti-theft?
- Signs to explain how to use the equipment
- Instructions for use. A cool-down bench.
- This does not look like an adult/parent design. I think something more like that by Edworthy Park is more parent like.
- Not much, generally good
- Why not use the style that's up by the fire hall on 16 Ave and 19 St. Also at Edworthy Park. More fun.
- A board that explains different ways to potentially exercise with the above equipment.
- Maybe an elliptical? Those are great for the aging population as it provides movement for the joints
- To crowded
- Incorporate machines for more older population (ie shoulder press, knee extension machine)
- Could you add various sizes of kettlebells, with a leash/tether so they don't get stolen? Is there any way to also add the climbing wall from Option 2?

- bench seating and garbage receptacles.
- Nothing. If you can add the climbing wall, that'd be cool, but I wouldn't take away or change anything.
- Something like option 2 - more creativity in the activity choices.
- How to clean touch points/equipment? Too many bars.
- In my experience when there's movable things (stair climber, for example), kids use it too. They don't use the stationary pieces as much.
- Nothing
- Use the same design as outside of Louise Riley Library.
- add a water fountain
- More vertical activities.

## Option A Fitness Circuit – Do you have any additional questions about this design option?

- I This looks very intimidating to the average person and doesn't seem very assessable
- Not getting how this equipment can be used for exercises. Whatever is put in place, you should include placards with instructions and maybe ability to link off to a website.
- I like the equipment by the Louise Riley library. Hopefully this would be similar equipment
- Don't do it.
- Is a washroom going to be added? The ones at the wading pool are too far away
- Why to operators of BOOT CAMPS get to utilize public property and cause unusual wear and tear of public property. Other gym owners are suffering during the pandemic meanwhile BOOT CAMP owners continue to ruin the stairs by me and making them treacherous
- I have used the one by Louise Riley library, I like it
- strongly support some monkey bars for adults!
- No
- What finish will be used on the gripping surfaces?
- Are those sign-things a post for work-out tips & activities?
- not sure what the black and white flags do.
- Would you add signs about how to use them?
- How are you going to prevent damage from the vagrants in the park at night?
- Why so ugly!!!!
- What are the 2 posts with white things on either side of the climbing net/web?
- Would it be possible to designate certain times for bootcamps? (maybe one time in the morning, afternoon, and evening) I think that might foster a more respectful way for groups and individuals to share the space.
- How much of the available green space in the park will this take up? With COVID spacing, sometimes no spots already.

- We were at an amazing outdoor gym recently in Oliver Woods Park in Nanaimo. I would love to see equipment similar to this at the new park. It was getting lots of use.
- I'm not convinced that these kinds of facilities get high use once built
- Yes, what inspired you to design this? It is so odd and a bit intimidating.

## Option B Obstacle Course – What do you like about this design option?

- i Like the variety
- I really like the rockwall! I'd be worried about people falling, but with the right stuff, could be fun!
- This looks fun and a different idea.
- nothing
- I don't really like this one as the climbing focus is not used by a lot of people and would mostly be taken over by the kids anyway.
- Obstacle course
- A lot more fun. If I want gym equipment I feel like I'd just go to the gym. Maybe if there was also a simple pull up bar that would tick all the boxes, because that is a versatile piece of equipment that most people don't have at home.
- not much
- Fun
- the climbing wall
- Interesting, but a bit specialized perhaps -- though a climbing wall would be great!
- This would be awesome for the older kids that the current playground does not offer. Can also be used by nearby Hillhurst School and Scouts group.
- Nothing
- Nothing, so ugly.
- I like that there's a free climbing wall!
- This one seems a lot more fun but possibly less functional overall.
- How safe is it
- Love the climbing wall!
- Climbing wall is great
- Love climbing options for all.
- Way better. More fun. My kid would prefer it.
- The climbing wall would be great
- Climbing wall looks fun
- feels less functional than opt. 1 - very specialized and I don't see it being used.'
- I love the idea of an obstacle course for adults, just remember kids will use it too! Which I think is totally ok BTW

- The climbing wall. I think this would be a nice addition to the other park, but in an of itself wouldn't be nearly as useful for valuable as Option 1.
- It seems like a fun challenge to do from time to time.
- Ninja Warrior.
- Don't like this. It looks hard to use for people who are out of shape and want to get fit.
- Seems more creative and engaging than option 1
- I don't like it seems to specialized to a specific skill or interest
- Like this design but the function of option a
- Not a fan of the obstacle course section. Not sure what it would be used for? Other space is better for non-climbers.
- This is all about climbing so I am not sure who are you targeting.
- Not much
- Love the climbing wall! Focus on vertical pieces is a nice contrast to an otherwise horizontal park.

## Option B Obstacle Course 0 What would you do to improve this design option? Please tell us why.

- Not sure how to use this
- This would not be a preferred option, as limited in audience this would be suitable for.
- The only drawback to this would be that it could be a challenging space to share. If one individual/group is using it it would feel occupied.
- Larger 'bouldering' focused climbing object/fall space. This community is very inclusive and there is tons of future proofing if the wall is designed properly, based on the modular nature of the holds to create varying skill routes.
- Obstacle courses are inherently exclusionary, and do not meet the needs of mobility-challenged persons. The climbing wall also poses a significant danger if used by children.
- Change it to more traditional fitness equipment
- Ropes of some kind may be an interesting addition, although durability would be challenging.
- I think having just climbing features might not attribute to a wide variety of individuals.
- Take out the tall poles
- get rid of it.
- remove some vertical poles and add horizontal ones
- Not sure How it would be used
- Add more traditional fitness equipment like in option A.
- I think this option would be less used than the option 1 (particularly the bamboo shoots). The climbing wall however is a nice idea
- Needs some horizontal bars to pull up like option 1
- needs monkey bars somewhere, because someone will want to do pullups, and traverses
- don't like the obstacle course

- Adults should also have fun & engaging structures like this for fitness, but (and I'll sound like a jerk for saying it), but how can you reduce it just becoming a kid-zone? ? It's probably just not possible.
- Add more arm exercise options for people in wheelchairs and some color so it doesn't look gloomy. Ensure f this is on recycled tire surface that this is not on black, which offgases in the sun and causes headaches
- I think it would be a much better use of space and money to provide an outdoor gym. I like the idea of the rock wall but otherwise, I don't think this would get used much
- activities for all body types and accessibility needs
- I dont think this design has as much usability as A does, I feel like theres more things you could do on A
- I prefer other option.
- Ensure accessibility for all ages & abilities
- I would not build it.
- Seems prone to vandalism or abuse.
- This just seems really inaccessible to me as I have no idea how to use the pole things or what they are for.
- Make it safer for the children who will inevitably want to climb here, e.g., soft surfaces
- this is a concpet that is cool in principle, but no one would actually use in reality. People would more likely use option1
- Perhaps merge the climbing wall with the fitness loop. Add a bench for recovery.
- Outdoor climbing walls are garbage in a matter of years. The routes set on them are useful to no one but little children. Get rid of the climbing wall.
- Why not use the style that's up by the fire hall on 16 Ave and 19 St. Also at Edworthy Park. More fun.
- A board that explains different ways to potentially exercise with the above equipment. This option looks a lot less friendly to disabled folks. Is there anything in this exercise area that people in wheelchairs can use, for example?
- Why not combine the two and make a combination of bars and climbing equipment?
- I don't see the bamboo sticks getting used much. Monkey bars or pullup bars (option 1) would be better.
- Higher climbing structure.
- bench seating and garbage receptacles.
- Its functionality is very limited. Park Option 1 provides variety, and there are hundreds of different things to do with the structure. This is just three structures that each provide 1 function.
- Add a climbing wall to the circuit training design?
- Not much.
- How to clean touch points/equipment?
- Use the same design as outside of Louise Riley Library.

## Option B Obstacle Course – Do you have any additional questions about this design option?

- What finish will be used on those polls?
- I really don't know how you'd use the bamboo sticks or what the little flag does.
- Looks like a fun playground for kids. How would you promote it for all ages?
- Why so ugly?
- How does one use these stick things? What are they called?
- Will the location of this (beside the children's park) invite children to unsafely use this equipment?
- What is the post with white thing on the middle left side of the picture?
- How tall are these climbing structures, and what is the base made out of? Because based on the picture, my main concern is that this park may incur a lot of injuries.
- How much of the available green space in the park will this take up? With COVID spacing, sometimes no spots already.
- What type of needs assessment was done to determine this was needed in Riley?
- I think this design is very fun and playful, but not as practical from a fitness training perspective, and would be under-used
- Please provide a third option merging the two designs. Bench seats are a nice addition. A climbing wall is not a fit for this fitness park
- More designs should be provided.
- How to prevent falls?
- Where in the park is this proposed.
- Both options are unclear on how adults could interact with the structures. From the illustrations they appear to be for children. How about adults (seniors too)?
- Why spend on something that will be used very rarely?
- This idea seems pretty unsafe!
- I don't like this as much
- Not sure how to use the bamboo shoots, for example. Would instructional signage be provided?
- I think this option, as much as I love it, could result in more unintentional injuries if not being safe.
- Who will use metal equipment in winter?
- Not really sure about the bamboo style poles, maybe include some horizontal bars from design 1
- Is it a climbing wall