



**Community Input Meeting #2 Concept Plan  
Summary Notes**

**May 16, 2018  
SwimRVA**

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**OVERVIEW**

The purpose of this public meeting was to present two park development concepts, one with moderate development and one with limited development. After the presentation, meeting attendees divided into four subgroups facilitated by Land Planning and Design Associates and Chesterfield County Parks and Recreation staff. Each group provided comments on the park concept plans. The public supported both concepts, with no strong opposition or preference for either design. Both concept plans addressed primary concerns expressed in the first public meeting, including development of the site, infringement on neighbors by park use (noise, lights) and increased traffic.

**PRIORITIES**

A slight majority favored the moderate development option. Attendees were asked to select three preferred amenities for the park based on a list developed from responses gathered in the first public meeting (1/31/18). Attendees indicated high interest in all trail types, picnic shelters and playgrounds. These responses are in keeping with the high interest expressed in the first public meeting and are compatible with a low to moderate level development of the park. Attendees support a phased development to make the park available for public use as quickly as possible.

**CONCERNS**

- Public safety
  - Staff response: The park will not be lighted and will operate dawn to dusk. A county study of recorded crimes in parks and adjacent residential neighborhoods was conducted several years ago. The study indicated that parks are generally safer than neighborhoods. The final park design will include Crime Prevention through Environmental Design (CPTED) strategies.
- Neighborhood access from Land-o-Pines development to the west of the park and potential for increased outside traffic accessing the park through the neighborhood
  - Staff response: The existing informal access points from the neighborhood to the park will be formalized with paved pedestrian access. No vehicles other than emergency or park maintenance vehicles will access the park from these areas. This will deter outside traffic from using these entrances.
- Timeframe of park development
  - Staff response: There are many steps required before park development begins including survey, site condition studies, construction document preparation, plan review and the bidding process to award the construction contract. These steps must be completed before the park can be open to the public. A reasonable timetable would be 2 ½ - 3 years, depending on availability of funding.

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### NEXT STEPS

- Park consultant will develop one conceptual master plan layout based on public input and contextual factors.
- Park consultant will develop a preliminary estimate of probable cost for the project.
- Public meeting notes will be posted on the Chesterfield County Parks and Recreation website.
- The Cogbill Park Master Plan will be posted on the Chesterfield County Parks and Recreation website two weeks prior to the next public meeting.
- The next public meeting will be scheduled in 60 – 90 days.

### MEETING ATTENDANCE

- Public: 39
- Staff: 10
- Total: 49