

Q15 Any further comments? Your input is important!

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Baseball and soccer fields could be coordinated with school district.	11/8/2021 2:12 PM
2	Public works – overworked! Please remove IV from existing trees on Washington Street and safe guard our big trees, air quality. They take years to grow and to such protective life sustaining heights.	11/8/2021 2:09 PM
3	A sunny park space with play equipment for kids and room to run is needed. Trees and shrubs to soften housing next door and the road. Family area for picnics. Dog weigh station to keep area clean. I don't think there is enough room for a decent dog park or a community garden. Needs water and room, fencing, it would eat up a lot of space.	11/8/2021 1:57 PM
4	My comments reflect current household use, not reflective of the past when our family had a younger children. We have great memories of T-ball games, exercising the dog and using the green space.	11/8/2021 1:53 PM
5	Don't know why you bought it?	11/8/2021 1:47 PM
6	Cannot honestly answer the questions. Wife and self are new residence but not new to the state of Washington	11/8/2021 1:42 PM
7	Whatever goes in needs to be taken care of, mowed, clipped, trash picked up etc. or it will become an eyesore	11/8/2021 1:39 PM
8	The soil at this site is so precious it should never be paved!	11/8/2021 1:14 PM
9	Micro soccer and T-ball are in the same category	11/8/2021 1:11 PM
10	I feel that we should have a baseball diamond	11/8/2021 1:05 PM
11	The survey appears to be premature in its assumption that a legal investigation on the development deal will have no effect on how this now minuscule plot of land	11/8/2021 12:53 PM
12	It's a shame, the ballfield was not supported by the town Council and administration. A lost opportunity for a total park.	11/8/2021 12:35 PM
13	What is expected to happen to the park along the channel? Is it finished?	11/8/2021 12:29 PM
14	People of La Conner complaint food and share with the community.	11/8/2021 12:24 PM
15	There are many dogs in LaConner but no public spaces for pet owners to enjoy a place to be with other dog owners. Be a great space!	11/8/2021 12:22 PM
16	No objection to dogs in part, but not all. Just for dogs. This is called a dog park, fenced, not sure what you mean	11/8/2021 12:16 PM
17	I'm a senior citizen with grandchildren	11/8/2021 12:09 PM
18	Good luck!	11/8/2021 12:07 PM
19	Purchase back the space, do not develop. La Conner needs open space for all to play, it's good for the soul.	11/8/2021 12:03 PM
20	As much grassy area as possible. Unspecified general use rather than specific sports. No gravel or payment.	11/8/2021 12:00 PM
21	We are elderly and even though we might not use some of the suggested uses, we feel they should be available for those who would like to use them, especially children.	11/8/2021 11:54 AM
22	do not put in a parking lot. it will get clogged up with visitors parking from potential houses in the hood. also it would encourage overnight camping. no parking lot! keep it as is! keep it simple!	11/8/2021 11:29 AM

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23	I will miss the kids playing baseball. the youth of this community are underserved. are we on course for a senior community. hope young families continue to be part of our town.	11/8/2021 11:18 AM
24	trees!	11/8/2021 11:13 AM
25	Sports and ball teams could be in a separate location. LaConner does not have a park with trees, flowers, benches etc for the residents to sit or walk and enjoy being out in nature. Usually the focus is on children, small and young adults - sports or play equipment.	10/1/2021 10:19 PM
26	No	10/1/2021 8:39 PM
27	Focus on kids	10/1/2021 8:27 PM
28	I do not play any court sports, but I am not opposed to them if the public sees the need.	10/1/2021 8:13 PM
29	A dog park would be wonderful	10/1/2021 8:02 PM
30	Keep it SIMPLE	10/1/2021 7:36 PM
31	LaConner needs more homeless shelters	10/1/2021 7:26 PM
32	Flowers in spring . Would be happy to donate	10/1/2021 6:17 PM
33	fenced area for pooches to visit	10/1/2021 6:16 PM
34	I don't know what would be a benefit to La Conner. I only know what is available to Shelter Bay.	10/1/2021 5:58 PM
35	I'm thankful that you're asking us for input. I think there are so many things that could be a good use for this space. I have kids and so a playground and small open space would be my preference, but I'd rather it get used by the most people. So, do what is best for the community and the most people so the space is well loved and used often. There is a pretty cool new playground in Sedro Woolley with a zip line and a kids ropes course and a modernized merry-go-round, etc. that would be a pretty cool idea to emulate. Again, these are just my thoughts that would benefit my family. Thank you.	10/1/2021 5:55 PM
36	Thanks for the opportunity to give input!	10/1/2021 5:26 PM
37	Artwork perhaps, it should be a draw if possible for tourists and the community. Think Roche Harbor the Art garden walk. (benches, community artistry, descriptions of local plants--> could benefit both economy and locals)	10/1/2021 5:26 PM
38	As we are all aware, this has been a very contentious issue for many La Conner residents. The plot is a lovely piece of real estate, complete with territorial vistas, which all of us treasure. Some semblance of the Hedlin expanse deserves to be preserved for play, family gatherings, etc. I'm thankful for the survey and the opportunity to participate. We need to remain diligent with our forward thinking and the strong purpose to tenderly love and preserve our magnificent little hamlet. Let's keep the remaining area open and free. Enough said.	10/1/2021 5:15 PM
39	Not happy about the housing planned for this space...should keep it all public space	10/1/2021 5:01 PM
40	I hope you do it.	10/1/2021 4:37 PM
41	How will parking work? Seems that is always our biggest problem.	10/1/2021 4:34 PM
42	I don't see any water parks or splash park in La Conner for children. I think it would be a fun feature for a park along with picnic tables and gardens and children's playground. And if you can fit a pickle ball court in that would be a plus.	10/1/2021 4:30 PM
43	Increased green space on Maple Avenue and elsewhere in the town.	10/1/2021 4:25 PM
44	Open space with trees and shrubs. Some benches, maybe a couple of picnic tables. Keep it uncluttered. No playground equipment or other apparatus.	10/1/2021 4:22 PM
45	We are a household that was disappointed to knowing part of this land would possibly be developed. The Hedlin sports fields have been a wonderful addition to La Conner, and maintaining an open, inviting space for people to play with their children and/or pets is important.	10/1/2021 4:13 PM
46	A number of residents in Shelter Bay have tried for an off-lead dog area but so far we have not succeeded. If the town of La Conner were to provide one it would likely be well used.	10/1/2021 4:11 PM
47	Always willing to help support parks. How can I help?	10/1/2021 4:08 PM

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48	There's already sufficient parks in the car without the use of this property.	10/1/2021 4:07 PM
49	Good landscaping (trees, shrubs, etc.). Allowance for good maintenance and avoidance of illegal activities.	10/1/2021 4:05 PM
50	No	10/1/2021 4:02 PM
51	Like to see designed community park with trees, flowers, and benches (no tables..take up too much room), and dog park.	10/1/2021 3:59 PM
52	The town should not have sold the land for houses. A very poor decision in my opinion.	10/1/2021 3:54 PM
53	Thanks for including us :)	10/1/2021 3:49 PM
54	Dog parks bring a huge pollution and safety problem. They require significantly more maintenance than generally assumed. If it is going to be a multi use park, that should not include dog park. Thank you for asking for input!	10/1/2021 3:47 PM
55	No	10/1/2021 3:46 PM
56	Community dog park, separate space for big dogs and small dogs, benches to sit and watch and a water source	10/1/2021 3:45 PM
57	It would be nice to keep that area simple. It is not large enough for playground equipment or sports courts so close to the intended building of "questionable" affordable housing. Could offer a gazebo for shelter when visitors use the space and it rains.	10/1/2021 3:44 PM
58	How about a couple horse shoe pits? Low maintenance and encourages community gathering - could even hold a festive tournament or two.	10/1/2021 3:37 PM
59	thank-you for adding more park spaces for us occupants in the laConner area.	10/1/2021 3:36 PM
60	Multi generational use park so everyone can enjoy	10/1/2021 3:36 PM
61	Shelter bay residents would like to see a dinghy dock located near near or possibly at pioneer park.	10/1/2021 3:35 PM
62	Safe modern children's playground suitable for younger children.	10/1/2021 3:26 PM
63	No	10/1/2021 3:26 PM
64	Don't forget parking.	10/1/2021 3:20 PM
65	No	10/1/2021 3:19 PM
66	This was hard to answer because of the questions? They're pretty broad...but we just want great things to happen down there and bring community together!	9/30/2021 10:01 PM
67	Open space leaves more flexibility.	9/30/2021 9:33 PM
68	In China the people would bring a boom box and do line dancing after dinner - every night after dinner. That was so fun. (albeit grass makes it a bit tough.	9/30/2021 9:00 PM
69	Thanks for the hard work on the survey!	9/30/2021 8:01 PM
70	The town of La Conner needs more open space parks. The loss of maple ball field is tragic and affects residents and visitors.	9/30/2021 6:43 PM
71	Open space with benches and picnic tables	9/30/2021 4:53 PM
72	Just a nice all around space with play equipment and sports courts for everyone, with tables, benches and spots for gathering	9/30/2021 2:02 PM
73	Pickleball	9/30/2021 11:44 AM
74	I would like to see it named Hedlin Park.	9/30/2021 11:12 AM
75	Definitely a dog area	9/30/2021 9:42 AM
76	Grass, an asian pear tree, a dog-poop bag dispenser, a trash can, a small standing bbq, and a picnic table. Thank you!	9/30/2021 9:35 AM
77	Open space is so important for children and families and there is not much in LaConner. Open	9/30/2021 8:57 AM

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view to the farm, fenced area for children and dogs to run around, maybe a garden, maybe simple play structures. Let's not crowd expensive houses into every available piece of ground.

78	The Parks section of the comp plan recommends pursuing parks in La Conner, was that even considered in this overnight decision making...	9/30/2021 8:47 AM
79	Just landscape it with edges Bushes are too spendy to care for and get out of hand Why change history	9/30/2021 7:37 AM
80	We need to preserve our existing green space and make new green space. Paved courts are the opposite of what we need.	9/30/2021 7:19 AM
81	Leave it as it is	9/30/2021 6:10 AM
82	Buy it back for the kids	9/30/2021 6:09 AM
83	Don't butcher this beautiful gift from the Hedlins!!! Leave it whole, open space without houses!	9/29/2021 11:13 PM
84	I think the generosity of the Hedlin Family and the DECADES of volunteers and families who utilized the field for generations should be recognized. By Giving up that ball field where hundreds of children and their families created life long memories so that developers could line their pocket and build housing is a huge disappointment. The Hedlin family who allowed the town to utilize that space for decades and the memories that hundreds of families created by having that space to use should be memorialized in some form of another.	9/29/2021 10:16 PM
85	Fully fenced area. Playground and dog park. Benches and tables for the whole family.	9/29/2021 9:41 PM
86	A park that blends into the existing neighborhood. Still would like to see the town merge with the food bank to build a decent facility with onsite parking for its clients. Maybe a garden	9/29/2021 9:24 PM
87	No	9/29/2021 9:01 PM
88	Though we think the town needs more dog areas, we wouldn't want to see this as a dog park because it would exclude all other uses. Dogs are hard on property (concentrated feces and urine) even with dedicated maintenance. Dogs should still be allowed at the park though! Noise impacts to neighbors should be strongly considered and night lighting avoided or minimized. Park design and traffic flow should consider the active farm operation along Talbot and east end. Parking should be minimal to encourage access by foot and bike. Perhaps some fitness stations could be considered. We would like this park to serve children and families first since that is how it has been used for decades. We have many parks for adults and tourists but few places where kids can be kids. Thanks!	9/29/2021 8:53 PM
89	thank you for asking our opinions	9/29/2021 7:04 PM
90	Again, I think it should remain a green park and not paved over for sport courts.	9/28/2021 12:03 PM
91	Leave it the way it is	9/28/2021 10:13 AM
92	Looking forward to a new park in town!	9/25/2021 12:59 PM
93	Please, whatever is decided, please be kind to the Hedlin family, who have contributed so much to the community.	9/24/2021 3:20 PM
94	We need the spot for the families,kids and their dogs to get out and keep sane in a world of too much stress.	9/23/2021 4:50 PM
95	Open space and shade trees most important, no pavement	9/23/2021 4:24 PM
96	and sitting astride a bush.....a bee	9/23/2021 1:28 PM
97	The park should be named after the Hedlins. We already have places to picnic etc in this town. It lacks a place that children can go play basketball or other sports courts. People assume they can play at the school, but the school kicks the kids out when they are playing there, so that is not an option. If you want to keep the kids out of trouble, you have to give them something to do during their free time. The baseball field was taken from them, this park needs to be for kids.	9/22/2021 5:18 PM
98	Function benefit over cost but be efficient in on going upkeep and maintenance.	9/22/2021 4:35 PM
99	None	9/22/2021 2:58 PM
100	Thanks like it as it is.	9/21/2021 8:48 PM

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101	A dog park is glaringly missing in LC. All the other suggested parks are available somewhere in the area.	9/21/2021 6:07 PM
102	Outside of keeping the entire field as is, this is the next best thing. Don't mess too much with open green space. It's shrinking as is, so not paving it is the goal.	9/21/2021 9:11 AM
103	The existing park was used mostly as open space and a dog play area. I think it should be left open with no more pavement.	9/20/2021 7:19 PM
104	Leave the way it was	9/20/2021 12:31 PM
105	My household loves this community and the people who call her home. Thankful for all of you :)	9/20/2021 8:08 AM
106	Don't make this a dog park that will ruin it for everyone else with dog crap everywhere!	9/20/2021 7:19 AM
107	Visually appealing park with nice landscaping and quality sitting areas.	9/20/2021 6:47 AM
108	Don't put houses up. Leave the park as a park. La conner needs that field and uses it every day. Not one person I've talked to, wants houses put there.	9/20/2021 6:20 AM
109	None	9/20/2021 5:58 AM
110	More park space. No or fewer houses!	9/19/2021 10:27 PM
111	This is a great opportunity to add to laconners art community by supporting local artists work, also adding another destination for tourists..	9/19/2021 9:57 PM
112	Shame that this space wasn't developed before the other part was sold. It's easy to forget you have a gift like we had when it looked like just an open field to most of us who didn't have kids. Now the baseball part is gone and suddenly people are about a small lot.	9/19/2021 9:02 PM
113	Water/spray park!	9/19/2021 8:17 PM
114	We already have little park with equipment for kids, and a skate park. I'd like to see some equipment for kids, and maybe a sand pit for really little ones. But space for adults and seniors would be nice too. Picnic tables for lunch, a community garden (plots by lottery), maybe a little spot for an acoustic concert or poetry reading.	9/19/2021 8:16 PM
115	Our little town doesn't have a dog park our pickle all courts. Pickle ball is the #1 fastest growing sport in the US! A sport for all ages that takes up a fraction of space of tennis courts. Nearest courts are Mount Vernon.	9/19/2021 7:46 PM
116	Community gardens are great, but there are lots of places that could work. Gardens can exist on rooftops, walls, and in many small spaces. If a portion of that field is used for a garden, there wouldn't be enough room for tball or soccer. Pavement is forever. Please leave some open space. If something must go there, please consider a swing.	9/19/2021 6:50 PM
117	Do not build new homes	9/19/2021 5:53 PM
118	I would much rather it be up next to my fence, the opposite side of the field.	9/19/2021 5:51 PM
119	Here is an opportunity to prove that less is more. Minimal development, with limited digging up and paving, with limited public expenditures will show common sense constraint. Maximize the green space and appreciate having a bit of grass, just to look at and for dogs and kids to run free and adults to gather and visit.	9/19/2021 3:53 PM
120	Trees	9/18/2021 7:51 PM
121	Shame on the city council for allowing the field to be developed. What a travesty! You should all resign. Seriously.	9/18/2021 3:15 PM
122	Splash pad!	9/18/2021 3:13 PM
123	This is a wonderful opportunity for our community. As such we need try and resist moderation in our creative work. Once it's done its done so let's envision a park amenity that will be of great benefit to our community, improve La Conner's livability and provide an example to other communities what a small town park can be. The eastern edge of park border should consider and incorporate the agricultural land beyond. As this park is in the residential area of town the focus should be on a design that take the local populous and it needs as the primary focus.	9/18/2021 9:34 AM

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This park should be pedestrian and bike oriented, none of the space should be used for parking.

124	Less pavement, portapotty , garbage can. A place for kids and families to play and meet. Unstructured space to play.I do not want the Gilkey park tourist use just a place to be creative in play and meet.	9/18/2021 9:02 AM
125	There should be a crosswalk for safety. Please don't install lights. We have too much light pollution as it is. Keep it simple and open - a green space not disrupted by pavement.	9/18/2021 6:37 AM
126	no	9/16/2021 10:50 AM
127	While we might use some of the permanent improvements, we believe at this time the park should be unobstructed, flexible green grass as it has been, and certainly not a dog park.	9/14/2021 11:22 PM
128	I started playing tennis recently and my husband and I hit the ball around at the tennis court on East State Street behind the school district's admin building. Can this be fixed up if courts are not added to Maple Park? The court on East State Street is nice but it badly needs to be re-surfaced and cleaned up	9/7/2021 8:40 PM
129	I'd like to see the area become a quiet park where folks can walk and sit and meditate. The other ideas about ball courts, children's playground equipment, and dog area is to busy.	9/7/2021 1:18 PM
130	La Conner has benefited from the versatility and accessibility of the open space at this park for more than 60 years. We hope the Town will consider that legacy of public use as they consider the future of this park. Thank you	8/28/2021 10:25 PM