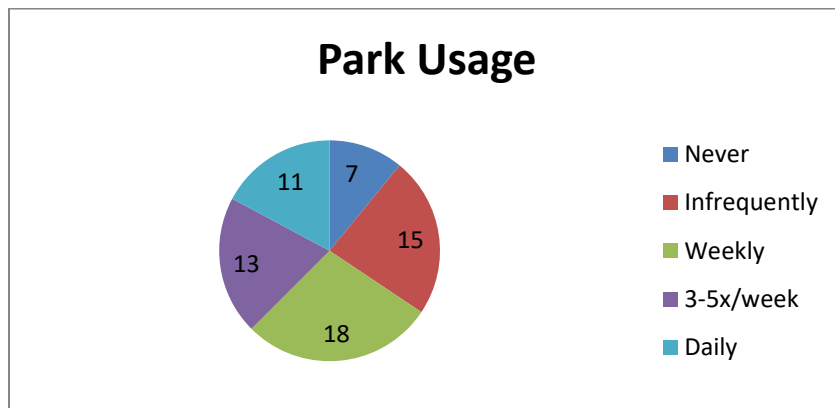


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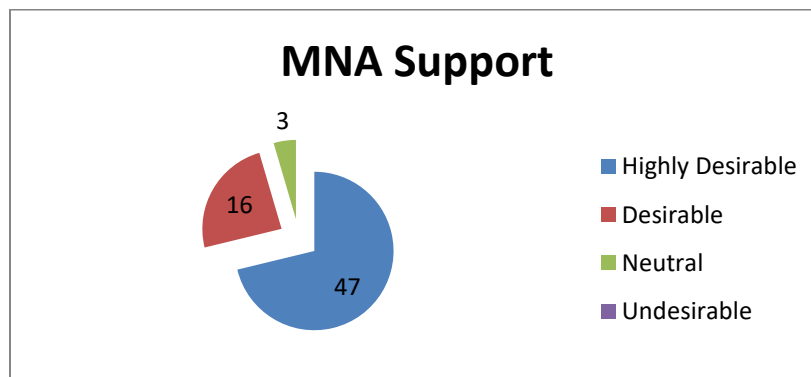
Following are the final results from the Community Input Survey developed by the Friends of Hummingbird Park. The survey has been open for input since August 1. We announced the survey in the August 1 MNA Newsletter and a link was added to the MNA website on August 4. The survey was also then posted on the Montford Listserv and Facebook page. The survey closed at midnight on August 31.

I. Demographics:

- Total surveys received – 66
- Montford residents – 64
- Park usage – 63% use the park at least once a week.

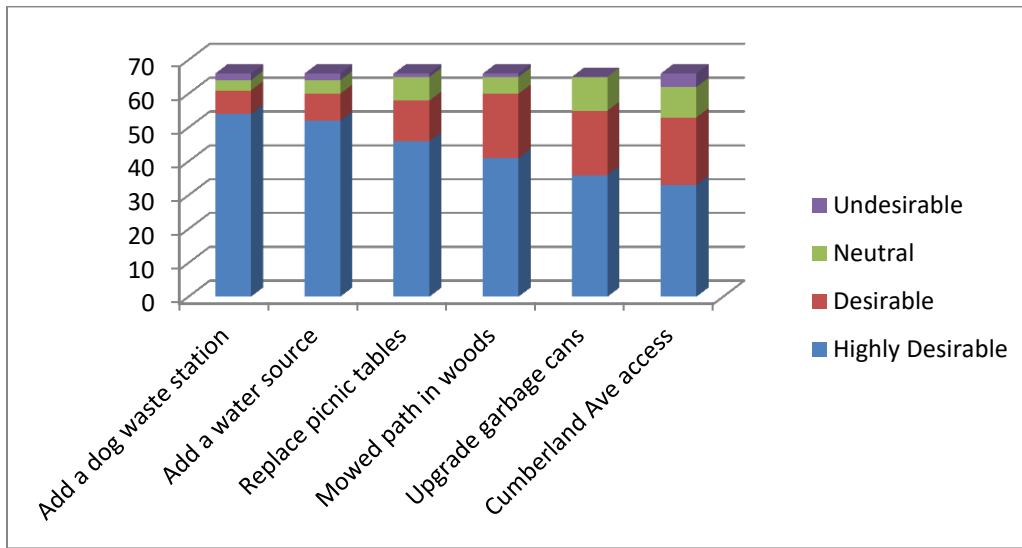


- II. **Neighborhood Support.** Of the 66 respondents, a total of 44 people responded that they were willing to help with the project in one or more ways. Forty-four respondents said they will work in the gardens; 44 said they would make a donation; 17 respondents said they would help with administrative tasks. Over 95% felt that it was “Highly Desirable” or “Desirable” for the MNA to support this project.

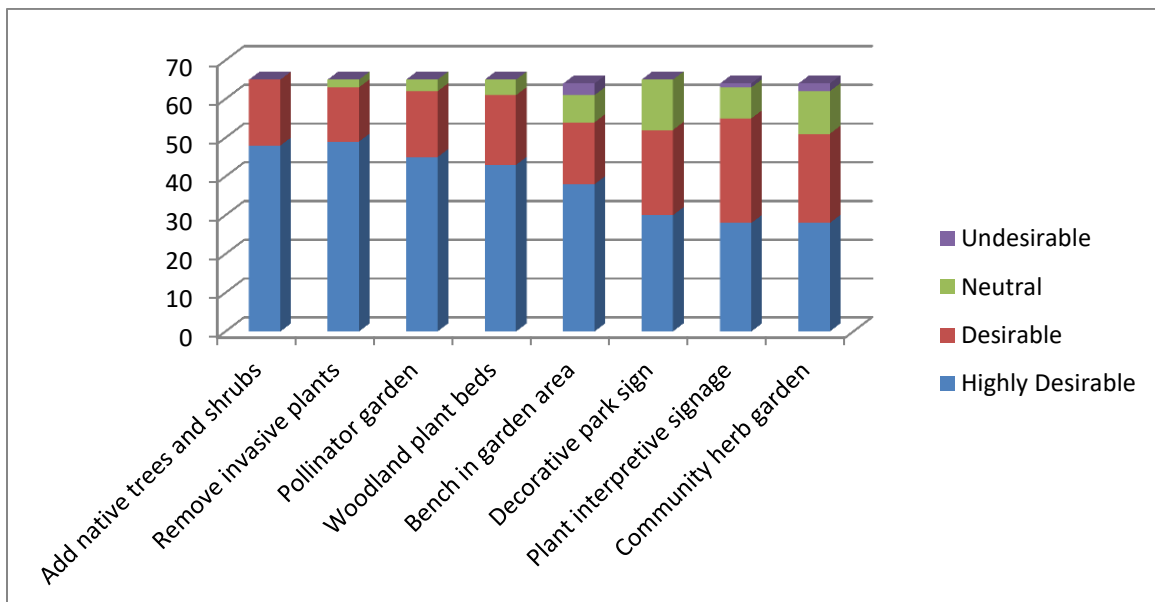


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- III. **City Contributions.** Respondents were asked to rate the proposed City of Asheville enhancements as “Very Desirable”, “Desirable”, Neutral/Don’t Care”, or “Undesirable”. All participants responded to this question. Responses are ordered by score, with most desired first.



- IV. **Neighborhood Contributions.** Respondents were asked to rate the proposed Neighborhood (Friends of Hummingbird Park/ MNA) enhancements as “Very Desirable”, “Desirable”, Neutral/Don’t Care”, or “Undesirable”. All but one participant responded to this question. Responses are ordered by score, with most desired first.





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IV. Survey Comments

- Let's do this!
- Concerned about costs.
- I frequently use this park with my toddler and dog. I also enjoy talking to neighbors.
- Hummingbird Park is a wonderful meeting place for neighbors, a great place to walk through with your friends and pets and a positive reflection of Asheville. Love Nature and it will love you back.
- Getting rid of the many prolific invasive species in this Park and replacing with natives is not only a gift for the park, but also for our community and for the planet! This is extremely important. Let's go!!
- Involve the local public schools to help.
- Many homeless people visit the park. I think if benches are added along a wooded path it would increase people visiting to nap along those paths.
- Any possibility of a SMALL suitable play area for young children? it need not be the usual swingset playground that requires special ground preparation--surely there's a more "natural" enhancement that would create a space where kids can play with each other while parents watch (in addition to the woods)?
- The energy and effort of neighbors and community members is the strongest base for the next step which is to have the City support improvements for the safety and user friendliness of the park. Well done, Friends of Hummingbird Park!
- We never use this park, despite its close proximity, in large part to safety concerns. There's a pretty steady stream of homeless use and it is difficult to escape if cornered. Will there be adequate lighting, ingress and egress points and other safety measures added to the design/discussion?
- This will be a great asset to Montford. Due to its location near to downtown, it will welcome visitors and set a tone that we "care" about our common spaces, not just our own private yards.
- Plants that attract hummingbirds and a "butterfly tunnel" planted with native vines that attract butterflies would be a great attraction to the park. Thank you for your vision and work!
- Thank you for taking up this project. I have loved this park for years, and when my kids were young, we played there nearly every afternoon.



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- I would like to propose the installation of a helipad in the park. Having recently acquired a U.S. military surplus Black Hawk helicopter <http://lockheedmartin.com/us/products/h-60-black-hawk-helicopter.html> - I got a great deal! The installation of the helipad could be easily accomplished by removing some of the more centrally located trees on the Park property. In appreciation for the installation of a helipad I'd be willing to let neighbors use it sans cost for sightseeing trips, grocery runs, etc... Ultimately installation of the helipad would be a win-win for everyone in the neighborhood because I would save money on ramp fees at the airport and Montford would have a VERY COOL addition to the park...
- Great project! Hope we can all work together to make it happen.
- I walk past this area, I have not used it. I am all for beautifying public spaces. Not sure if MNA resources should be used for this. It will be a project with a good sized price tag. I think targeted neighborhood fundraising would be a good way to get the funds needed.
- I'm keen on the native plants/pollinator-friendly plantings, but not so much about the herb garden (I love them, but I think whatever sun is available would be most appropriate for pollinator-friendly perennials!)