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- » Digital and Print Media
- » Social media
- » News outlets (interviews and advertisements):
  - » Wyoming Tribune Eagle
  - » KGWN-TV, Channel 5
- » Flyers posted throughout Cheyenne's Community Recreation & Events facilities
- » Email lists

**1. ONLINE SURVEY 1: OPEN FROM APRIL 8TH TO MAY 14TH 2024**

710 responses.

**2. ONLINE QUESTIONNAIRE: OPEN FROM DECEMBER 19 TO JANUARY 16**

52 responses.

**3. IN PERSON PUBLIC MEETINGS**

- » Focus Groups: November 13-15, 2023. (53)
- » Open House: June 3, 2024 (41)
- » Super Day: June 22, 2024

**4. STEERING COMMITTEE**

- » Kick-off: September 23, 2023
- » Workshop: November 13, 2023 (11)
- » Virtual Meeting: May 23, 2024
- » In Person check-in: August 6, 2024

**5. CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS**

- » Open House: June 3, 2024
- » September 11, 2024

**6. PLANNING AND ZONING MEETING**

- » February 3, 2024

**7. WEBSITE (STORY MAP)**



**CHEYENNE PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN**

**WHY A PARK SYSTEM MASTER PLAN?**

- Provide a long-term vision for the community
- Capture an understanding of current community needs and desires
- Address community changes
- Identify new policies, maintenance approaches, community services, and prioritize investments



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**MEMORANDUM**

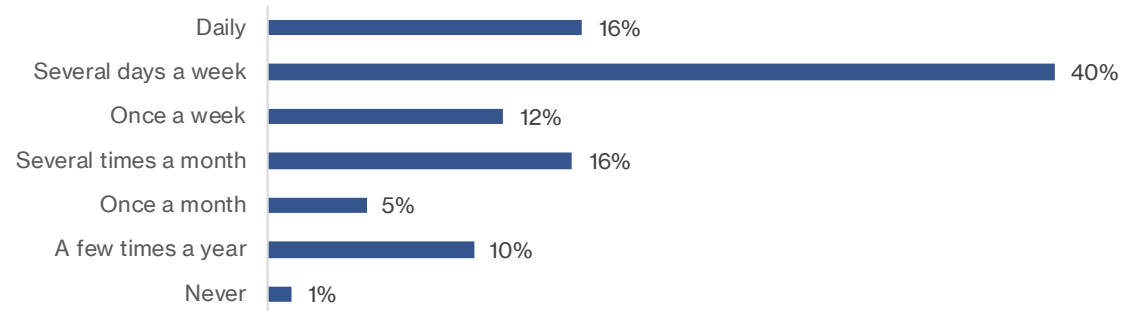
To: City of Cheyenne  
 From: Design Workshop  
 Date: June 25, 2024  
 Project Name: Cheyenne Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Project #: 7172  
 Subject: Online Survey Summary

**Introduction**

The Cheyenne Parks and Recreation Master Plan survey was conducted from April 8th, 2024, to May 14th, 2024. The survey included 18 questions regarding Cheyenne’s park system and demographic questions to give some context to the responses. Feedback will help guide the City of Cheyenne in planning for park, trail, open space, and recreational amenities over the course of the next ten years. The survey received 710 total responses. Responses to the verbatim open-ended responses to the Survey Questions and the Qualtrics raw survey results are listed at the end of the report.

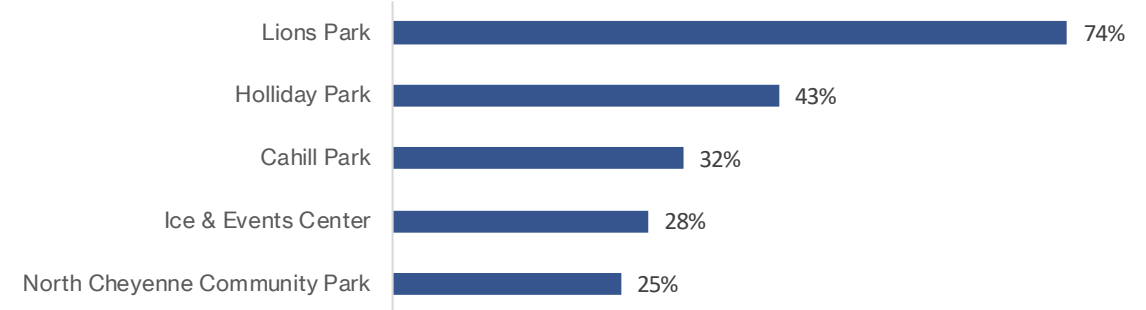
**Question 1: How often do you visit Cheyenne’s parks or recreation facilities?**



**Key Takeaways**

Participants most commonly use Cheyenne’s parks or recreation facilities several days a week. Approximately 68% of respondents visit Cheyenne’s parks and recreation facilities at least once a week. 16% of respondents visit Cheyenne’s parks and recreation facilities once a month or less. This question received 658 total responses.

**Question 2: Which of Cheyenne’s parks, trails, and recreation facilities do you frequent most often?**



**Key Takeaways**

Lions Park is the most frequented park among respondents. Holliday Park is the second most frequented park among respondents. This question received 1,878 total responses from 494 respondents.

**Question 3: If applicable, please specify any other of Cheyenne's parks, trails, and recreation facilities that you frequent often that are not listed above.**

This question received 209 written responses. See the Open-ended Question Responses for the full list of open-ended responses.

**Question 4: Why do you choose to visit Cheyenne’s parks and recreation facilities?**

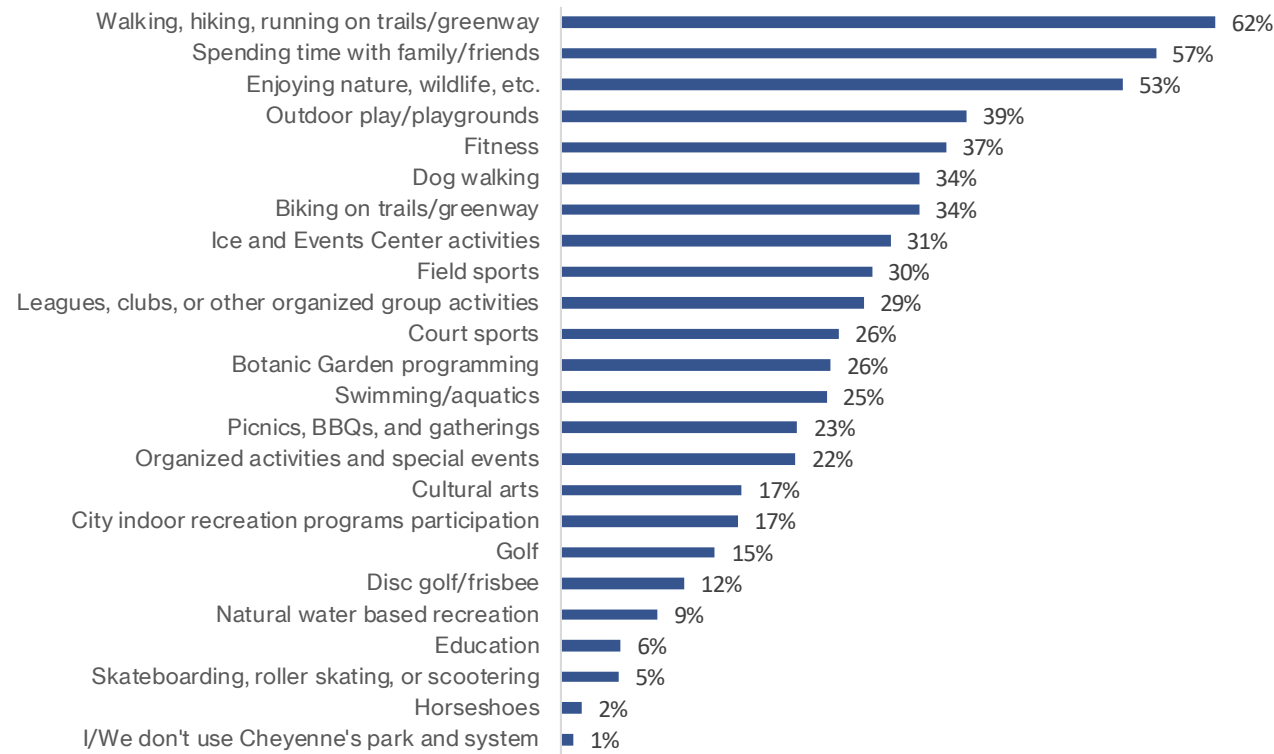


**Key Takeaways**

The most common reasons that respondents frequent Cheyenne’s parks and facilities are for walking, exercise, sports, and their kids. This question received 456 total responses. See the Open-ended Question Responses for the full list of open-ended responses.

**Question 5: What are the most common ways you or someone in your household uses Cheyenne’s parks and recreation system?**

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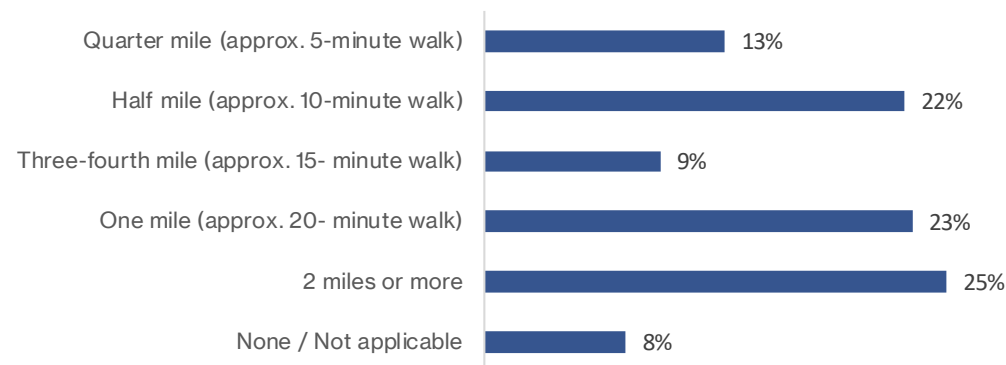
### Key Takeaways

62% of respondents most commonly use Cheyenne's parks and recreation system for walking, hiking, and running. 5 in 10 respondents most commonly use Cheyenne's parks and recreation system for spending time with family and friends and enjoying nature. Very few respondents do not use Cheyenne's parks and recreation system. This question received 3,123 responses from 511 respondents and 16 written responses in the "Other" Category listed in the Open-ended Question Responses.

### Question 6: What other local facilities do you use for recreation that are not managed by the City?

This question received 218 written responses. See the Open-ended Question Responses for the full list of open-ended responses.

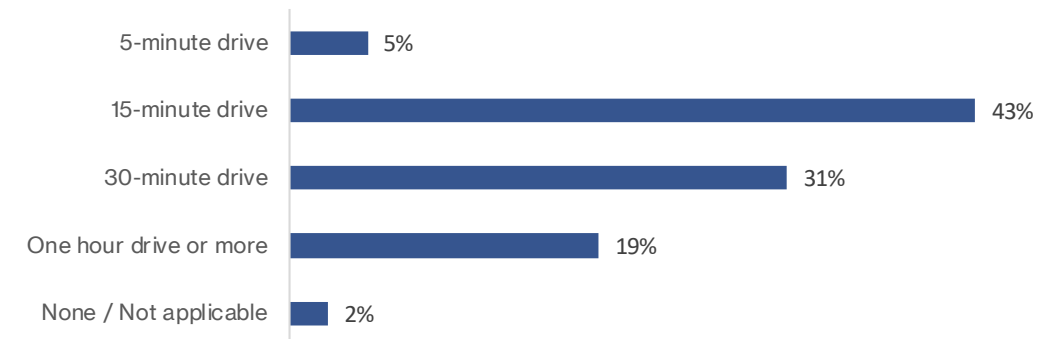
### Question 7: What is the maximum distance you are willing to walk or bike to a park, playground, greenway/trail, or recreation facility?



### Key Takeaways

25% of respondents are willing to walk or bike two miles or more to a recreation facility. 48% of respondents are willing to walk or bike one mile or more to a recreation facility. 35% of respondents are willing to walk half a mile or less to a recreation facility. 7.5% of respondents indicated none/not applicable. This question received 489 responses.

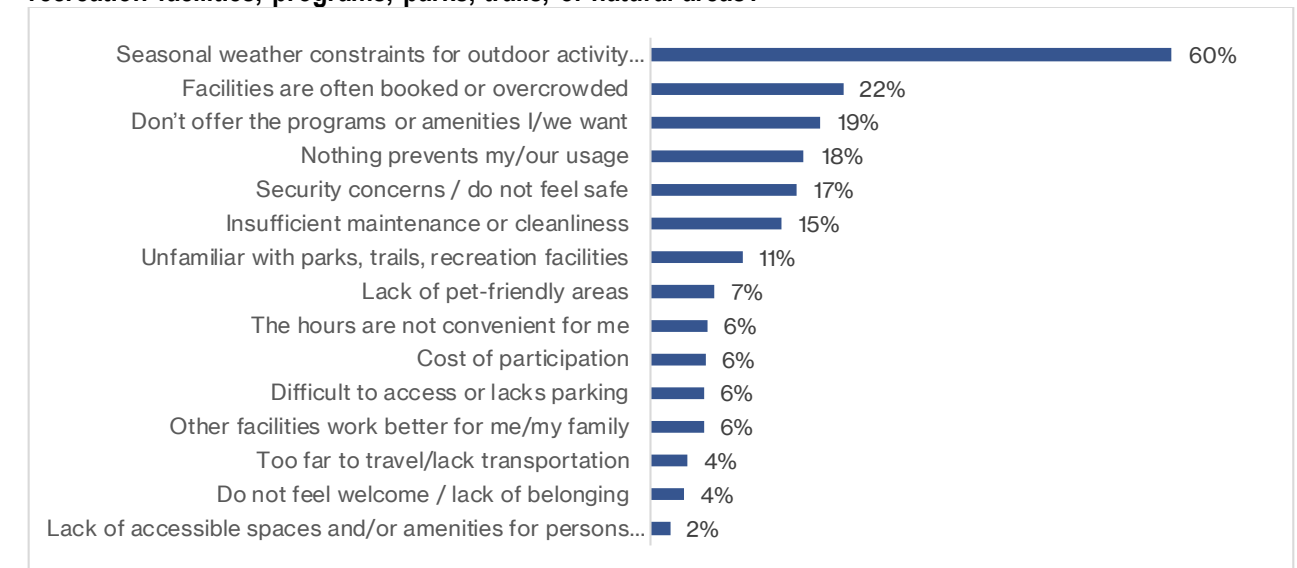
### Question 8: What is the maximum distance you are willing to drive to a large regional park, community, event, community center, or competitive recreation sports field?



### Key Takeaways

20% of respondents are willing to drive one hour or more to a recreation facility. 78% of respondents are not willing to drive more than 30 minutes to a recreation facility. 48% of respondents are willing to drive 15 minutes or less to a recreation facility. This question received 495 responses.

### Question 9: What reasons have prevented you or other household members from using Cheyenne's recreation facilities, programs, parks, trails, or natural areas?



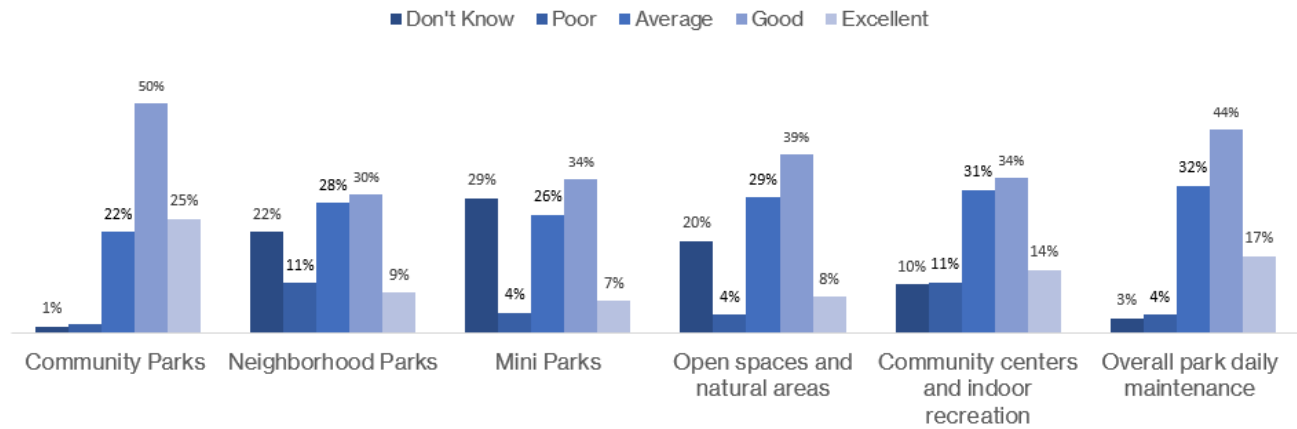
### Key Takeaways

60% respondents identified seasonal weather constraints as the most common reason preventing the use of parks and recreation facilities. 22% of respondents selected that facilities are often booked or overcrowded. Nothing prevents use for 18% of respondents. This question received 477 responses and 69 written responses in the "Other" Category, listed in the Open-ended Question Responses.



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**Question 10: Please rate the existing condition of the following types of properties maintained by the city.**



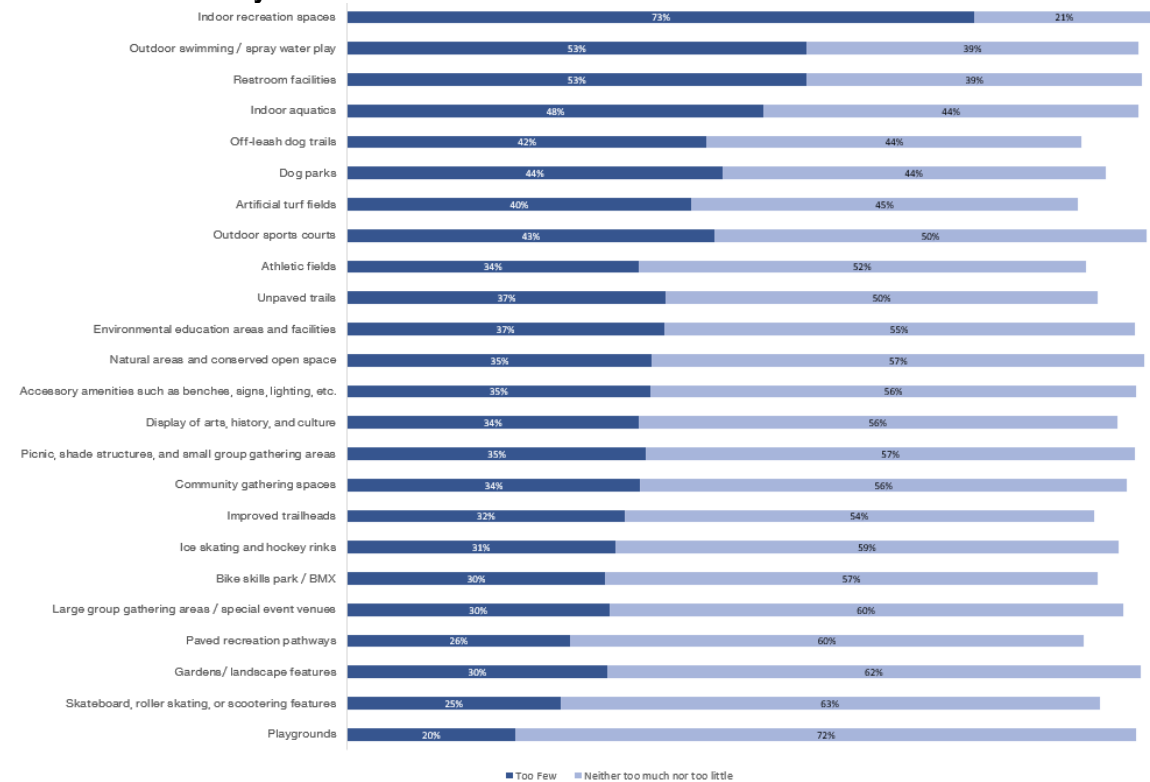
### Key Takeaways

61% of respondents indicated overall park daily maintenance is good or excellent. 42% of respondents indicated that community centers and indoor recreation have a poor or average condition. 25% of respondents selected that community parks have excellent existing conditions. This question received 2,515 responses from 447 respondents.

**Question 11: Do you have any comments regarding existing conditions?**

This question received 165 written responses. See the Open-ended Question Responses for the full list of open-ended responses.

**Question 12. For each type of facility, please indicate if there is too much, too little, or the right amount to serve the community.**

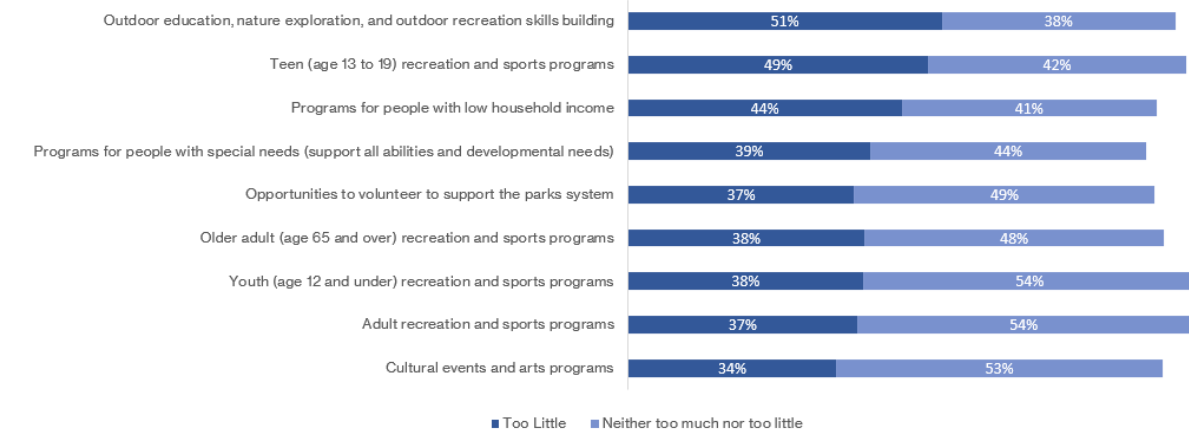


### Key Takeaways

73% of respondents indicated that there is a need for more indoor recreation spaces. 53% of respondents indicated there is a need for more outdoor swimming/spray water play and restroom facilities. At least 20% of respondents

identified there being too little of each facility. This question received 9,834 responses from 441 respondents. This question received 44 written responses in the "Other" Category, listed in the Open-ended Question Responses.

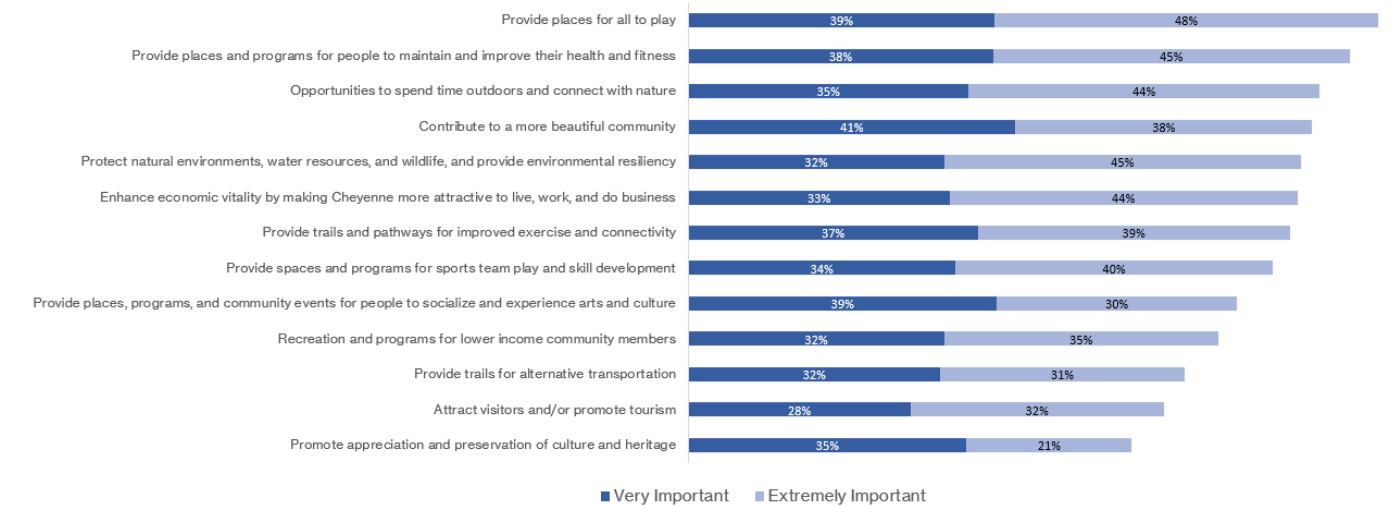
**Question 13: Please indicate if the city offers too much, too little, or the right amount of the following types of programs.**



### Key Takeaways

51% of respondents believe that there is a lack of outdoor education, nature exploration programming provided by the city. At least 40% of respondents selected that there are too few programs for teens, people with low household income, and people with special needs. This question received 3,356 Responses from 418 respondents. There were no written responses indicated for the "Other" Category.

**Question 14: Communities provide parks, recreational amenities, trails, and open spaces for a variety of reasons. Please rate how important you think each of these purposes is for Cheyenne.**



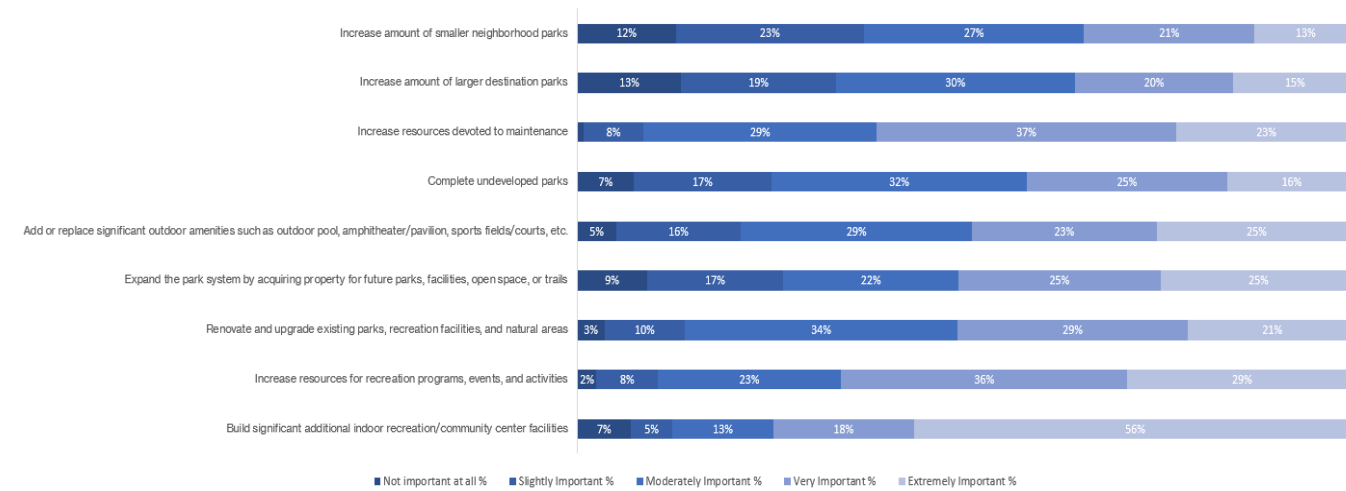
### Key Takeaways

Providing places and programs for people to maintain and improve their health and fitness, providing places for all to play, and protecting natural environments were identified as the top three most important purposes. This question received 5,367 responses from 421 respondents and 52 written responses in the "Other" Category, listed in the Open-ended Question Responses.



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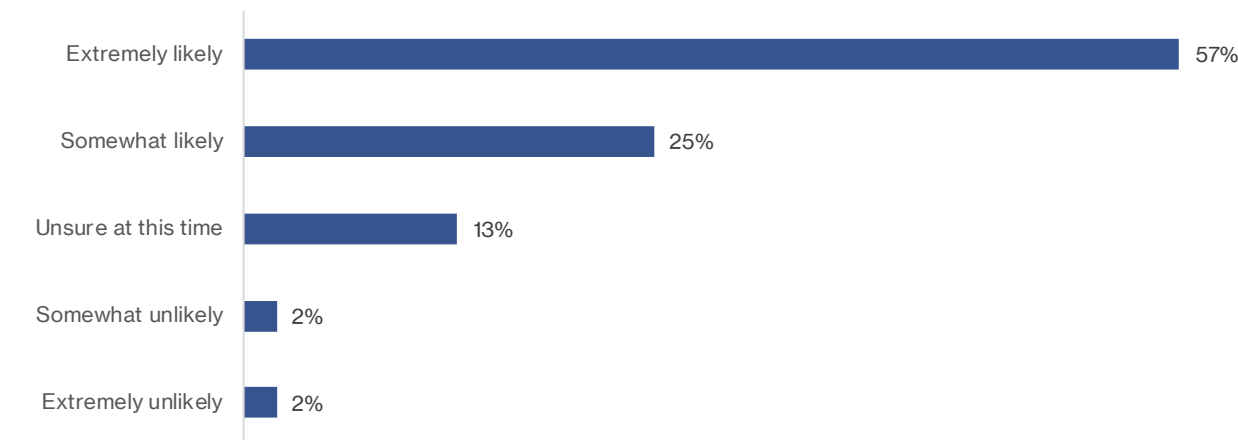
**Question 15: How important do you think it is for Cheyenne to invest in the following in the next ten years in response to community growth?**



### Key Takeaways

74% of respondents think it is important to build significant additional indoor recreation/community center facilities over the next ten years. Approximately 30% of respondents would like to see greater investment in resources for recreation programs, events, and activities. This question received 3,632 responses from 413 respondents and 50 written responses in the “Other” Category, listed in the Open-ended Question Responses.

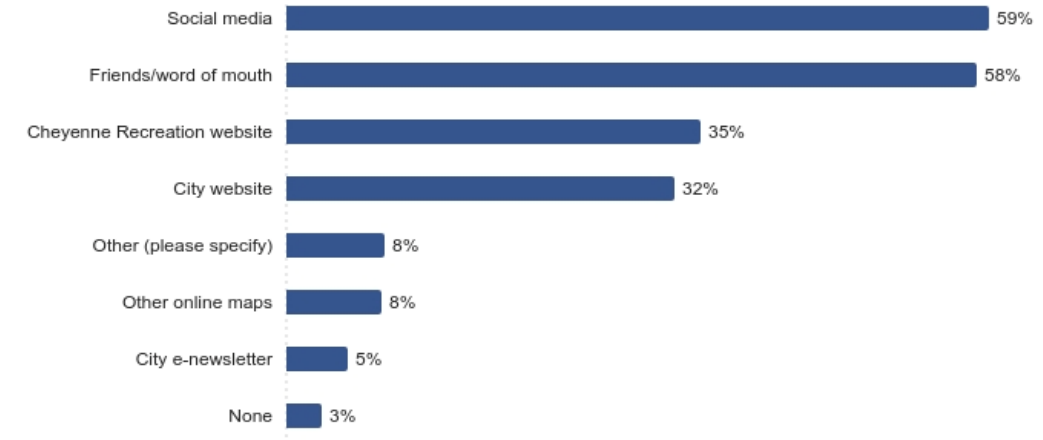
**Question 16. How likely would you be willing to support additional funding and spending for parks and recreation improvements in the future?**



### Key Takeaways

57% of respondents indicated that they would be extremely willing to support additional funding and spending for parks and recreation improvements in the future. Only 4.8% of respondents indicated that they would be unlikely to support additional funding. This question received 411 responses.

**Question 17: How do you find out information about the City’s recreation facilities, events, programs, parks, trails, or natural areas?**



### Key Takeaways

59% of respondents indicated that they receive information from social media, followed by friends or word of mouth (58%) and 35% from the Cheyenne recreation website. This question received 414 responses and 33 written responses in the “Other” Category, listed in the Open-ended Question Responses.

**Question 18: Do you have other comments or suggestions for Cheyenne’s parks, trails, and open spaces system?**

Respondents were asked to provide any additional comments or suggestions that they had for the future of Cheyenne’s Parks and Recreation System. The question received 201 responses, listed in the Open-ended Question Responses. The responses were organized into the following larger themes.

#### Improved Connectivity and Safety of Greenway and Trails:

- Better connect the Greenway through the heart of the city to make it safer and more usable.
- Address safety concerns at crossings and intersections.
- Ensure the Greenway connects more comprehensively throughout the city and downtown areas.

#### Development of Indoor Recreational Facilities:

- Build additional indoor recreation centers, including spaces for various sports like tennis, pickleball, basketball, and ice hockey.
- Emphasize year-round accessibility to indoor facilities due to harsh weather conditions.
- Provide affordable indoor options for swimming and other activities.

#### Enhancement of Existing Parks and Facilities:

- Add amenities such as benches, trash cans, bathrooms, and interpretation trails.
- Maintain and improve current facilities rather than expanding new ones.
- Address cleanliness, safety, and maintenance issues, including managing the homeless population in parks.
- Enhancements to existing parks, including more shade structures, flowering trees, and improved accessibility.
- Expansion and better maintenance of greenways and trails, with some advocating for new connections and extensions.
- Interest in developing new parks and open spaces, particularly in underserved areas of the city.



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### Community Engagement and Resource Allocation:

- Involve the community in planning and reserving park spaces.
- Improve marketing and communication of available programs.
- Focus on investing in existing infrastructure and efficiently utilizing current resources before expanding further.

### Youth and Sports Facilities:

- More activities and facilities for youth, including sports like volleyball, hockey, lacrosse, and baseball.
- Requests for year-round indoor sports facilities, ice rinks, and recreational centers similar to those in other Wyoming cities like Casper and Gillette.
- Concerns about the recent purchase of the Beast facility affecting youth sports programs.

### Pet-Friendly Amenities:

- Increased desire for more dog-friendly parks and spaces where pets can be off-leash.
- Requests for additional pet amenities like dog poop bags and trash cans in parks.

### Winter and Year-Round Recreation:

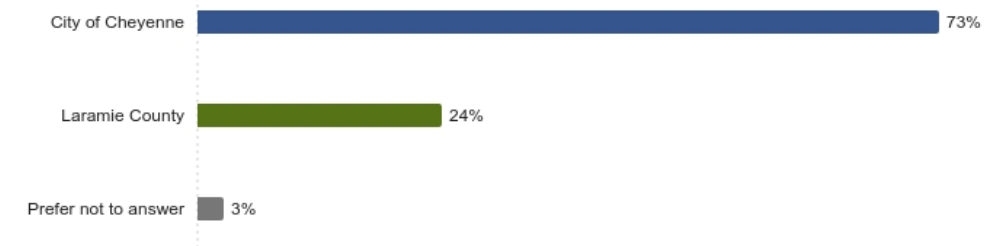
- More ice-related facilities and activities for winter, including additional ice rinks and hills for sledding.
- Calls for year-round access to ice skating and hockey facilities

### Conclusion

The Cheyenne Parks and Recreation Master Plan survey provides comprehensive insights into the community's usage and perceptions of the city's parks, trails, and recreational facilities. The data gathered from 710 respondents highlights the most frequented parks, common usage patterns, and primary motivations for visiting these amenities. It also reveals key areas for improvement, such as the need for more indoor recreation spaces, enhanced outdoor programming, and better maintenance of existing facilities. With a significant portion of the community expressing a willingness to support additional funding, these findings will be helpful in guiding Cheyenne's strategic planning and investment decisions over the next decade, ensuring that the city's recreational infrastructure continues to meet the evolving needs of its residents.

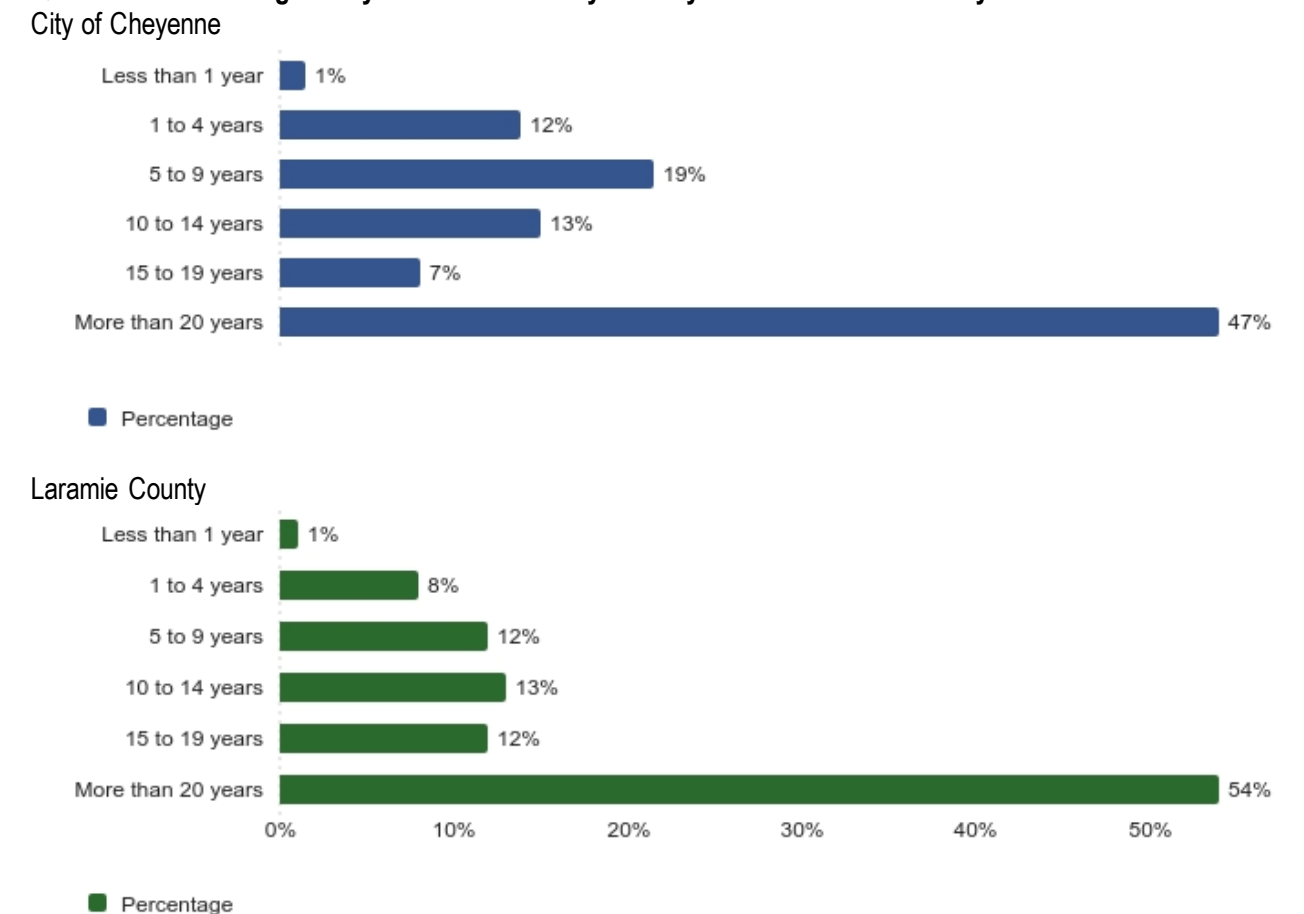
### Demographic Questions

#### Question 1: Where do you live?



73% of respondents identified that they live in the City of Cheyenne. 24% of respondents identified that they live somewhere else in Laramie County and 3% preferred not to answer. This question received 434 responses.

#### Question 2: How long have you lived in the City of Cheyenne or Laramie County?



47% of respondents have lived in the City of Cheyenne for more than 20 years. The County shares a similar statistic with 54% of respondents living there for more than 20 years. There is a distributed range of respondents living in the city from 1 to 19 years with no majority. Similar is the case for the county as well. Both questions received 312 and 100 responses respectively.



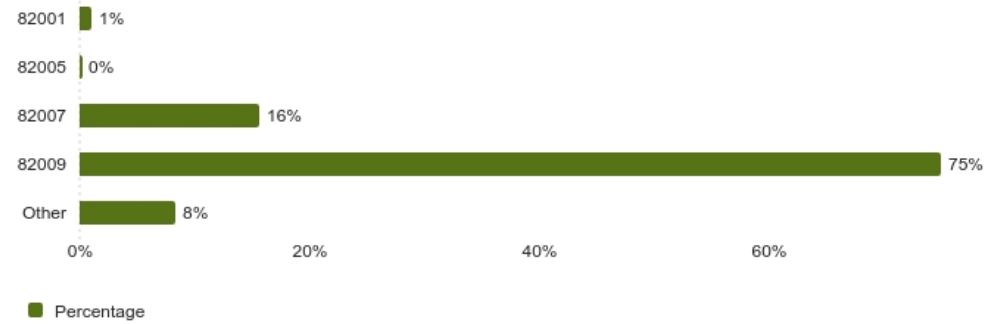
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### Question 3: What is your zip code?

#### City of Cheyenne



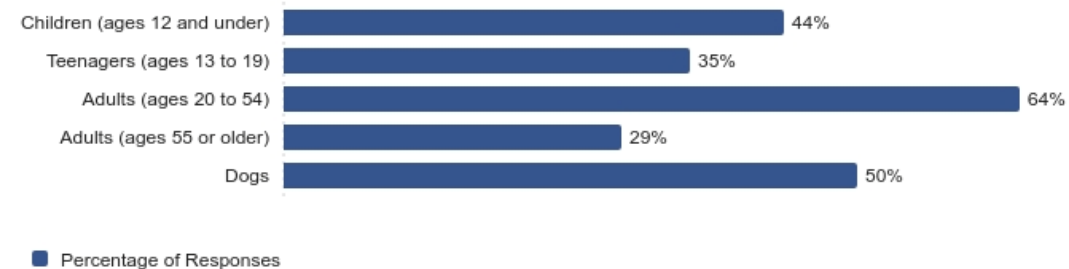
#### Laramie County



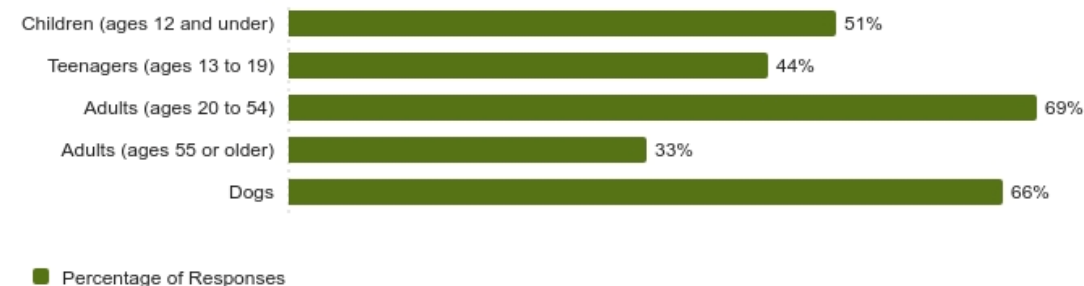
Respondents are from primarily zip codes 82001 (50%) and 82009 (41%) in the City of Cheyenne. While for Laramie County, respondents are majorly from 82009 (75%) and few from 82007 (16%). Both the questions received 305 responses and 96 responses respectively.

### Question 4: Do any of the following live in your household?

#### City of Cheyenne



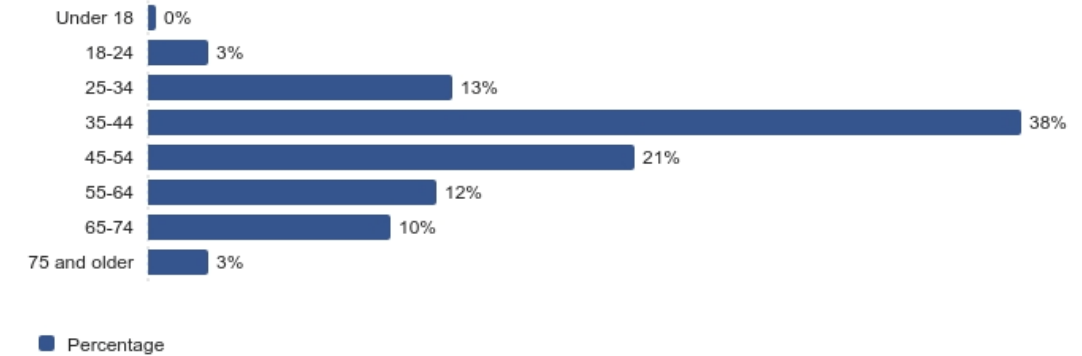
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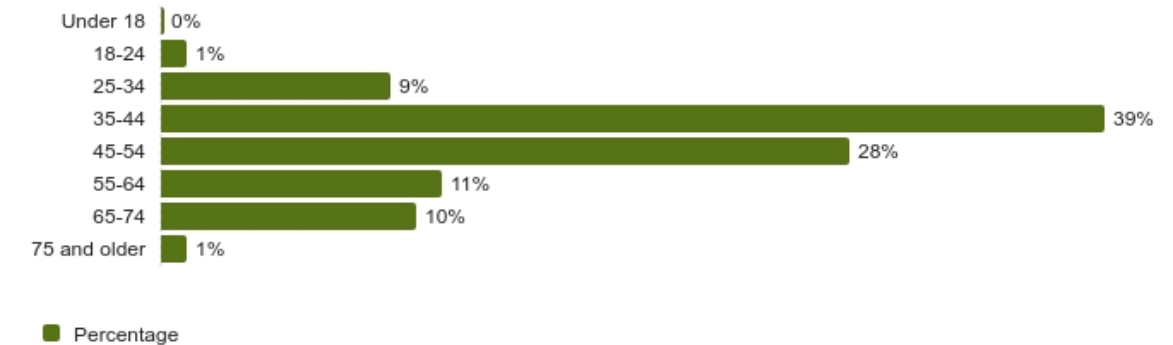
The household makeup of the respondents for both the City of Cheyenne and Laramie County falls in the similar range across all the categories, with the county having slightly higher percentages across all age groups than the city. In both places, the age group 20 to 54 has the highest percentage with the city having 64% of respondents and the county having 69% of respondents. Both the questions had 303 and 97 responses respectively.

### Question 5: Which best describes your age?

#### City of Cheyenne



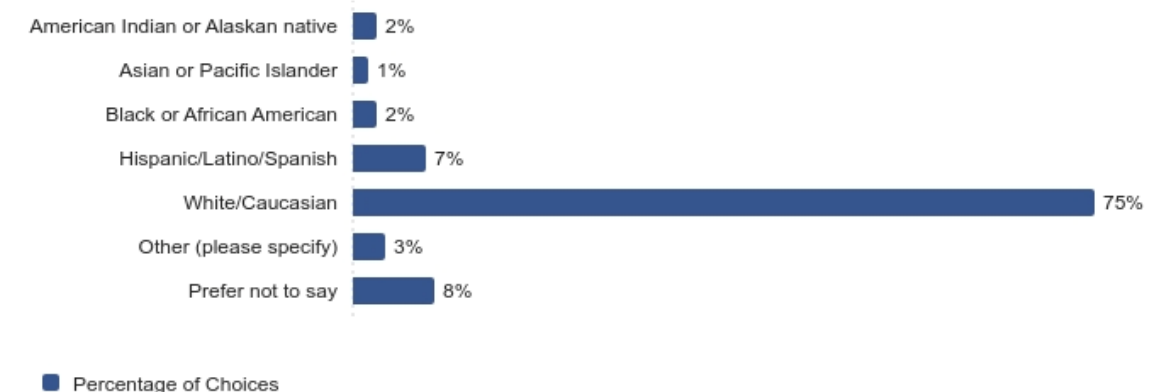
#### Laramie County



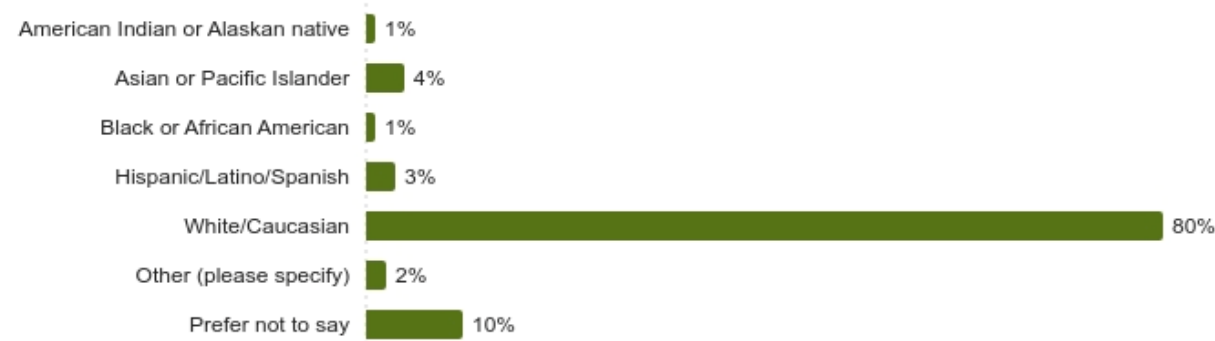
The highest percentage of respondents for both the city as well as the county fall under the age group 35-44 with the city having 38% of respondents and the county having 39% of respondents in that category. The least participation in the survey is seen from the age groups of under 18, 18-24 and 75 plus. This is true for both the city as well as the county. Both the questions received 306 and 96 responses respectively.

### Question 6: Which race, or ethnicity do you most identify with?

#### City of Cheyenne



Laramie County

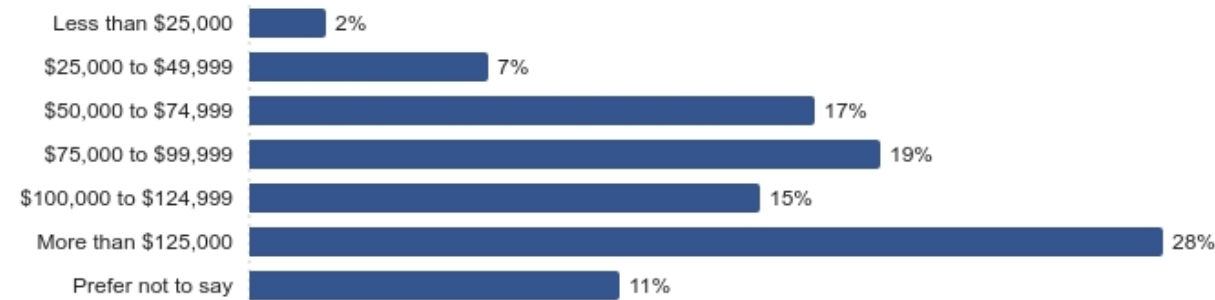


■ Percentage of Choices

Respondents from the city as well as the county are majorly white/Caucasian with the city having 75% of respondents and county having 80% respondents. The city (7%) has a higher percentage of respondents who are Hispanic/Latino/Spanish than the county (3%). Both the questions have 304 and 96 responses respectively.

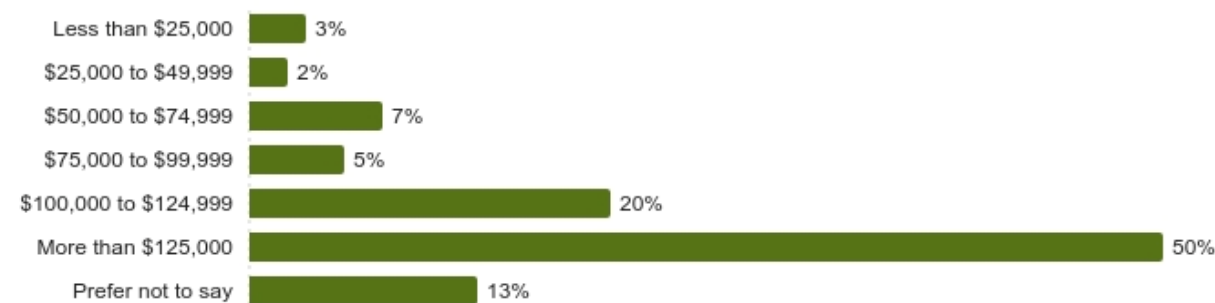
Question 7: Please describe your annual household income?

City of Cheyenne



■ Percentage

Laramie County



■ Percentage

Respondents from the city have the highest majority in the category of having annual income more than \$125,000. Similar is the case for the county, but with a clearer majority of 50% of respondents falling under that category. Both the questions received 304 and 96 responses respectively.

VERBATIM RESPONSES TO OPEN-ENDED SURVEY

The following are the verbatim responses to the open-ended questions on the Cheyenne Online Community Survey. Because these responses were written by survey participants, they are presented here in verbatim form, including any typographical, grammatical, or other mistakes.

**QUESTION 3: IF APPLICABLE, PLEASE SPECIFY ANY OTHER OF CHEYENNE'S PARKS, TRAILS, AND RECREATION FACILITIES THAT YOU FREQUENT OFTEN THAT ARE NOT LISTED ABOVE.**

This question received 209 open-ended responses.

Aquatic Center	Airport golf course
Need more greenway on east side	greenway
Golf coarse	Free range pasture on Pershing an Whitney..., dog park
None	Beast
Municipal golf courses	The youth center that has the purple and green play ground near pioneer park achool
The greenbelt	North Park Soccer Fields
Aquatic Center	Greenway trail system
Greenway	Greenway
Beast	South High, East High, Central High
Greenway	N/A
Pointe Park	Greenway
Greenway	The Greenway, The New Trail/Park off of East Pershing
BEAST facility	Bill Dubois Park
Brimmer	The BEAST
Greenway dry creek, crow crrek and sun valley	Greenway
Indoor tennis courts at the Frontier Days exhibition hall.	Frontier Park Tennis
The Greenway for biking, public golf courses	The BEAST
Prairieview golf course	Greenway
Airport Golf course	All parks
The Beast	Aquatics Center
Green way	The Depot Plaza Splash Pad
Tennis center	greenway, tennis courts,
BEAST	Base lakes
Beast	Bike the greenway
I use the greenway daily	Golf courses and greenway
Greenway	Cheyenne Greenway
Cheyenne Greenway	Beast
Beast	Ice and event center
Aquatic center	Cheyenne Botanic Gardens/Paul Smith Children's Village
The Beast	Greenway
Beast	Greenway
	Greenway, all over town





## Appendix B.1 | OPEN-ENDED SURVEY RESPONSES

The Sun Valley Open Space is a great place to give my dogs a walk. I also play softball each year, so my teams use the Brimmer Park and Converse Softball Complexes.
They are nice places to walk with the dogs.
Children play sports at these locations, trails, walking paths
Proximity and activities
Kid areas and playgrounds. Walking paths. Swimming! Smith gardens.
Capitals hockey, youth lacrosse, walking
The calm and things to do such as walking and biking.
Quiet & clean
It feels good to get out especially when weather is being nice
Nice open areas, nice walking paths, good things to do
Activities there.
Walk or ride bike
Tennis!
Exercise and tennis
To use tennis courts, soccer fields and walking paths. Location and trying to get best option for courts
access to grass for kids to play.
Tennis and walking
Golf!
Tennis
Pleasant feel, convenient to work and home
Closest to my house
Have kids, playgrounds and sports are important
Cleanest, quality of playground equipment
To play pickleball and do yoga
Proximity to home
Walk dog, tennis
Walking paths, parking to visit others who visit frequently
I like to ride my bicycle out of vehicle traffic
Exercise
youth club sports
My kids are active in sports and gives them practice opportunities
Family activities, public events, youth sports
Children's activities
Somewhere to go with the kids
Time outdoors and exercise
Bike/walking trails, playgrounds, green areas, trees, botanic and children's village
Being active, playing with kids and practicing
Spend time with my grandchildren
I have kids who like to go to the parks and play on the equipment. I have family members that I enjoy to watch play sports at all the baseball and softball fields.

I like to stay active. I have dogs who love the parks as much as I do!
Club Volleyball
Kids recreation programs and walking trails
Because my kids love sports and play them year round
Lions park because of the Botanical Gardens, Holliday because it's close to where I live, and Mylar to take photos
Location, activities, or event
Fun for my kids
Spaces tend to be well maintained. We live in Western Hills North and absolutely love Western Hills Park. It adds a huge benefit to our neighborhood. However, I would love to see this park taken care of the way it was years ago. Since COVID, this park hasn't been as well maintained. Cleanup and landscaping work is needed to maintain the beautiful bush and tree area that is being taken over by grass and dirt. The grass also needs more attention.
convenience
location, walking dogs, soccer, tennis
Distance and convenience.
Hockey practice, pickle ball, outdoor rec
Close to home
Rec Center Soccer, Fitness and leisure
because they are closer to home and there is not much else to do with my kids besides same old stuff
Dog
Location convenience and upkeep of parks
Location great fields tennis
children, social events, sports
Softball, play equipment
Nice
Location or less people
Proximity to home, able to ride bikes, open areas, disc golf, beaches/water sports
Like the trees and native areas.
Tennis, soccer, and parks for kids
Sports
Recreation
Health & wellness
Playground with kid, walk dogs, community events
Accessibility
Outdoor activity for our child
Exercise
Beautiful safe places to walk
Its at a decent central location
They are the nicer of the parks in town
I live close to a couple and enjoy going to the others because they are clean and well taken care of and have several things to offer my kids.
Large, parks, safe, pool, walking path.

To play or coach Tennis
Tennis, Pickleball, walk
Great way to get outdoors
Peace, cleanliness, air, nature,
Bicycle access
Hockey
Walking trails, play ground, open space for yard games and TENNIS
Tennis, running, soccer
Daughter plays for the Eclipse Volleyball Club
They are safe and beautiful views
Play tennis and Ride bicycles
For tennis & pickleball
Kids
tennis
Youth Club Volleyball (Eclipse) and recreation
I visit these places to exercise, use the facilities, i.e. tennis courts, and to enjoy being outdoors.
Children's sporting events
Recreation - swimming, biking, walking, running
To get the kids out of the house where they can run and enjoy the outdoors, We take photos at the botanical gardens, and picnic in the summer.
Walks, activities with kids
park setting, tennis facilities, trails for walk/run/skate/bike/dog walk
Exercise
Pickleball
They are close by
Tennis, walking, children's playgrounds
Green grass, few people
Walking paths
Play tennis and walk
Sports, walking, picnics, etc.
Tennis Courts
safety - open air spaces - quiet
Mostly tennis, golf, and cycling
Proximity to my house, disc golf, and connection to the Greenway
Spend time outside with friends
Dirt trails, convenience, not a lot of people
Activities, outdoors, water, community, exercise
Baseball
My kids play hockey
Family events, ice hockey
Events

Convenient to
For the playground and walking with my kids.
Baseball games/practice, walking/running
Convenience and comfort
Nice trees and grass
running and biking, the parks listed are on my route or close to/easy access from home
hockey, ice skating, soccer, walking, fresh air
It's pathetic we only have 27 holes of public golf
Play with granddaughter, exercise, to be outdoors, meet friends
open spaces, trees, lack of cars
I love the activity
To get outside and enjoy the activities they have
Youth sports, neighborhood park
Kids, walking dogs
Kid activities
Children's sports
Open outdoor space
Sports and recreation
Team sports
Rec
Proximity, nature spaces, like the play structures
Son plays hockey so we are at the ice and events center all the time during season. Parks for the kids to play and walk the greenway
Close to house, or easy to access.
It has a good trail for walking. And the lake is nice.
Each has unique strengths: botanic gardens, mini golf, frisbee golf, mountain bike trails
Accessibility by foot, bike and car
Pickleball
Disc golf courses
They are in our community, have restrooms accessible and reasonably clean, space to explore and ride bikes and playground equipment my children enjoy
For exercise and fresh air
For our Children's sports and activities
Well-kept, clean, beautiful parks that my family love to visit for the views, playgrounds, and soccer fields
Accessibility, cleanliness, availability of open area, the pre-discussed Greenway section is close to my home and provides a walking path I don't have to worry about vehicles on.
Clean areas to enjoy with family. The best is where my daughters practiced volleyball with Eclipse
Things my family is involved with
Fund raisers, 5k runs, hiking, kids sports etc
Sports



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To get away from the noise and obnoxious people on roads. To be where other people are who are out doing the same and feel safe and get some exercise/ fresh air.	Proximity to house, children activities	I have small children and we spend a lot of time outdoors. These places provide them a designated place to explore and play.	Because I like to walk and they're close
Club Sports	My family and I enjoy them.	The kids enjoy these parks and they are clean and in good condition	Explore the city and exercise
Ease of getting to them, large play grounds,	Been here for over 30 years, and these are the parks and rec centers that I know from that period of time.	Kids sports	Spend time outdoors and fun for kids
Baseball practices games	Not super crowded, get outside with something to do for the kids, enjoy the birds	Sports and entertainment	Recreation, exercise, nice spaces to frequent to be outside, good for pets
The BEAST was our child's volleyball practice facility. We have gone to open gyms there as well as it is close in proximity and one of the only facilities that have open gyms for volleyball.	Proximity to Work	Kid friendly	Safe, natural areas, clean
Recreation	water features or kid friendly	To be with my family outside	Events or to be outside
Club volleyball	Walk or cycle	Excercise	well managed, nice trees, good activities/events
Western Hills Park to walk/throw ball for dog. All others for youth sports. Two daughters that are very active in sports with Softball and Volleyball.	Bring child to play on playground	Location	For work
My child has grown up playing and loving sports at this facility. Through her growth, she has been able to participate in travel sports and now strives to go to college to continue her journey with sports.	Exercise	Nature	Kids activities and recreation
Sporting events and practices, swimming	Love a safe place to take my kids and be outside. Would love more inside space for cold months too	walking and sports	Skating and hockey
Eclipse club volleyball practice	To get outside	To walk around the lakes	Beautiful parks, walking, Botanic Gardens, Pickleball, soccer fan
Exercise, volleyball, walking	Because they are there to be visited and they are on the greenway	Sports, Leisure	Outdoors
Proximity to our house, work, schools, or other activities we are at normally.	Walking, botanic garden, picnicing, bird watching	Recreation	Locations, family friendly
Walk dogs, Work parties, Friday nights on the Depot, Softball, golf	Birding in unmoved natural areas available to the public	Safest parks for kids	Youth activities
Birdwatching, walking	Kids love the parks! The ice and event center for hockey during that season, wish it was all year. We also love mountain biking at north park, but the trails aren't as nice as they used to be. We'd be willing to help with maintenance but I'm not sure who to talk to about volunteering.	to be outdoors, walk dog, frisbee golf	Kid's soccer, exercise, recreation.
Love to get out side-use the greenway to get to different parks/ice cream	I have kids and enjoy walking	Play grounds	For taking in beautiful scenery.
fishing, walking, and family activities	They provide nice places for children to play	The botanical garden, playgrounds and exercise areas are great for our family	Fishing, Running, Kids playing on play structures , golfing
Exercise, walking dogs, taking kids to play at the park	Walking and picnics	What is available for my family to do	Closest proximity to home
Outdoor activities, exercise, playground equipment	Playgrounds, riding bikes, close to home	We love being outdoors and socializing. These spaces are safe and clean.	Ice hockey
It's right across the street from my home	Variety of spaces	lakes bands softball	Grandsons baseball
Walking	Fun. Play. To get out of the house.	Recreation	Beautiful scenery, Jaycee park is so nice and open for kids to play sports. Walking distance I our neighborhood.
Recreation, biking and exercise.	Baseball and softball games. Close to my house and nice trails to walk	Play	Nature and recreation
Exercise, dog walking	Playgrounds, trees, within walking distance	Lions Park in particular is an important part of my family's life on a multiweek basis. It is absolutely wonderful to have safe, clean, and beautiful outdoor spaces to visit year round!	Pickleball and Tennis
The need to be outside and/or to move/exercise	They are near our house and have good playgrounds for our children	exercise, watch games	Ice hockey, walking, soccee, bocci ball,
For quality and enjoyment of life	Nice place to walk	Playgrounds are nice, and nice walking paths, Saddle Ridge is within walking distance	Lions or Holliday are a good walk from home and back Romero for events and the depot for a concert or othe event
Pickleball, dog walking, softball	Health & wellness	They are the parks nearest to my house or along the greenway section I run on most often	I like riding the greenway and watching softball
greenery	Location is convenient, park is beautiful	Entertainment, biking, events	It's something to do
Passing through on the greenway	Events center - craft shows, Lions Park - lunch at lake in my car, pool - would love to take classes but won't due to ambient temps in pool area to cold, poor management and bad exercise manager. She's mean and not to smart, with no availability for adults to use the lazy river when no children are at pool and the building needs lots of repairs and the pool is down more than it is useable	Open spaces good for kids	Easily accessible and dog friendly
Sports for kids	Location and events	Events	Open space and walking
Running and sports practices	Youth soccer & hockey. Men's fitness group	Usually for an event, proximity to home or to go walking	Pickleball and summer events, walking, rollerblading
To play tennis or golf	Things for the kids to do, safe environment	Ease of access and openspace	Transportation primarily although some of my use could be classed as recreation.
Location/ activities I want	Proximity to our home or quality of the equipment/childs preference to use certain features.	Nature, fishing, good walking paths	Hockey and Lacrosse
Exercise, fresh air, friendly humans	I have young children and I want them to experience outdoor activities with good amenities.	They are easy to access.	love being active and outside
We like to walk, watch grandchildren in sporting activities.		Large safe spaces for walking Attend sporting events	Sporting events for child
Children activities		For sports, recreation and leisure.	For exercise, walk dogs, and meet with friends.
Athletics and extracurricular		Exercise, time outdoors, tranquility	Proximity to home
Convenience and greenway connectivity.		Kids sports, walking, lunches	Ability to walk to the park. We rarely drive to parks.
		Holliday Park: I love walking around the pond and often stopping by the art museum. Lions Park: I like the Botanical Gardens and walking around the park afterwards, as well as the minigolf nearby.	Prices and cleanliness
			They are good for my kids and feel safe.
			For my kids
			Sports, leisure

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Playground, outdoor space, birds, gatherings, winter playtime	Soccer and basketball for my kids and we like to go to Lions Park on nice days	I love to get outside during the warmer months, and they're all very well maintained, quality places to visit.	Work or location near home
My kids	Hockey and baseball	Kids playing, walking/running on Greenway	Events
Fun and well maintained	Kids like to play hockey and go to the parks to play T ball	Recreation	For the trees
Nearby, feel safe there, enjoy the surroundings	Soccer Activities	Family time, exercise, enjoyment	Work
Youth sports	Nice, clean, feels safe, activities and shade	Recreation and exercise mostly. I also go watch the bands at Depot Plaza during the summer.	It is in my neighborhood
Recreation, relax	Exercise	North park and Cahill because of the big fields of grass. Lions park because it's nice and can walk for a while. And dry creek because it's close	closer to where I live
Walk my dogs.	My son plays hockey and the parks are close to our home	Disc golf, kids soccer, running	Love the parks
Kids sports teams	They are peaceful, easy to walk	Proximity to house, events and soccer, pickleball	exercise, work, play and kids' sports
Youth hockey, and youth baseball	Open spaces, ball diamonds, greenway runs through, ice for skating	Amenities, Disc Golf, Proximity to home	Playground equipment and walking paths
Events going on at them.	To run	Baseball	Close to the house and is very pleasant
Sports	Recreation	Because they are a great spot to walk around without cars heavily present	Exercise and dog walking.
Good walking trails	Close to home	The Beast is the best facility in town for kids. Parks and greenway are close to where I live.	Because I like to walk and some of them are close to my house
Peaceful	Youth sports	Family outdoor recreation time	Like to be outside
Proximity to my home and quality of space	Exercise, bike, run, hangout with friends, etc.	Close to home/ play area	sports or work
Live close by	We are part of teams that use these	Walks and taking kids	Nice places to walk
Love them all	They are fun to run through	Youth baseball	Best places to recreate
Grandchildren go to play. I walk the area.	close by and I love the botanic garden	work related and recreational enjoyment. The park is always a great place to have lunch, walk the dogs or just walk around the lake.	Programming.
Baseball, softball and basketball, playgrounds, walking	Quiet, clean, kids can play, ice skating	static viewing	Partake in Events
Sports/playgrounds	Sports, recreation, fitness, outdoor time, birding	Quality of the facilities	Softball and walk exercise
My children are ver active in sports.	Hockey	relaxation	recreation for children and exercise
Kids sports programs	My kids play sports and these places or they are neighborhood parks we freo	Sports	more open space with walking paths
Close to home, clean, safe	My kids play sports including hockey, baseball, lacrosse and we are located by Pointe Park	Bike trails	Bike riding, playgrounds for grandchildren
Love being outdoors.	My kids play Hockey, soccer, and love to play at the parks.	Amenities available within the park	Exercise
Hockey, stick and puck, drop in hockey	Family favorites, andnclose proximity to our home.	Work, walking dogs, and enjoying community events	Dog friendly, relatively safe for women
Dog walking	Childern in youth sports		I love to watch birds and to be in a greenspace.
Usually for events or to kayak at Absarraca or Sloans Lake at Lions Park	We do hockey and soccer		They are awesome
Hockey	Hockey		My kid loves parks
Kid amenities. Beautiful parks. Walking	Dog walking And activities		test
Hockey and hockey	Hockey, soccer, play		
Youth hockey	I like parks.....but don't you think we have enough. Maybe more ice please		
Sports events, walks, picnics	Sports		
Proximity to my house, beautiful, safe, well maintained.	Soccer (north park) and hockey (ice and events)		
Kids love the parks	Exercise family outing Sports		
Safe, wide open	Kid's		
Walking and outdoor enjoyment.	My kids play hockey		
Family time, jogging	Recreation for young children		
Walk	Hockey		
Walking dogs, exercise	Recreation and exercise		
Fun and beautiful	Hockey, baseball, pickleball, kids activities		
Recreation. Ice skating for my daughter	Walk the dogs		
My kids love using the facilities, they play soccer for the local club, and play ice hockey for the local team too.	Sports, walking		
Play space/facilities for our young son	Kids events		
Have the activities my kids do the most and also near to my house and have good parking, easy to get to			

### QUESTION 5: WHAT ARE THE MOST COMMON WAYS YOU OR SOMEONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD USES CHEYENNE'S PARKS AND RECREATION SYSTEM?

This question received 16 open-ended responses.

None	Wish Kiwanis ampethear had better grounds with family friendly open mic nights on Fridays!
Photography, backgrounds	School sports training
Tennis	Running
Mountain biking	Civic Center concerts
Club sports	Depot Plaza Concerts
Club sports	Birdwatching
Photographer, use them for work	Yoga in the park
Feed the squirrels and ducks	asdfasdf



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### QUESTION 6: WHAT OTHER LOCAL FACILITIES DO YOU USE FOR RECREATION THAT ARE NOT MANAGED BY THE CITY?

This question received 218 open-ended responses.

Beast Foundation	Curt Gowdy, Happy Jack
YMCA	CFD Tennis Courts
None	Frontier Park for indoor tennis
Gold's Gym, YMCA	Indoor tennis at frontier park
YMCA, Golds Gym, Cheyenne Field Archers	Frontier Park Tennis Center
Cheyenne Animal Shelter Dog Park, State lands	Cheyenne Country Club
Archer Complex	Frontier Park Tennis
n/a	The BEAST (City only recently purchased)
School district courts if available	Frontier Park Tennis Center
Airport Golf Club	CrossFit Frontier other than that none. None, there are none available.
Frontier tennis park, Little America golf	State parks
The Beast, until recently	Frontier Trampoline Park, Flippers, The Frontier Mall,
Tennis at CFD Exhibition Bldg.	CFD tennis facility
Frontier Tennis Center	Open spaces north of town
North Gym, Church Buildings, Schools	Frontier Tennis Park
Mountains	Frontier Park Indoor Tennis
Yoga studio	Gold's gym, LCCC
Beast	Gold gym
PlayCity indoor playground. Frontier Trampoline Park. Laramie County Library.	Roller city
Golds gym, gowdy st park, happy jack rec area	Beast
School playgrounds	YMCA/307 Fitness
Downtown in general - love it for shopping and dining. Would LOVE to see some improvement in the recreation downtown. A pocket park would be truly amazing or finished alleyways for pedestrians. We have such an amazing historic area that I would love to see this have a bigger parks/rec emphasis.	Gold's Gym and Smart Sports
N/A	Golds gym and smart sports and daner
base lakes	Gymnastics
Gowdy park and trails.	Curt Gowdy State Park, Vedauwoo Climbing area & campground
taco johns center, trampoline park	Schools
Dog. Golds gym. The beast	Beast
Smart sports conservation land off of house creek	Frontier Tennis Center
Cole Pool	Trampoline park
Aquatics center	Archer Complex open space areas, State Land off Horse Creek Rd/Iron Mountain Rd
Curt Gowdy, Vedauwoo, red mountain open space	Gold's Gym, Northside Gym, BEAST
Frontier Park Tennis and Fitness 307	YMCA, LCCC Facilities
Public lands	None
South High, East High, Central High, Frontier Park Tennis Center	Frontier Tennis Center, FE Warren fitness centers
N/A	Out buildings by private owners to practice soccer and softball indoors
Gym	Beast
	Used to be the beast
	Northside Gym

Gym	Ymca
None	Meadowlark playground
Indoor gym facilities, shops, anything we can practice in during harsher weather	None
The Beast, the old gymnastics building on powderhouse	Boxing club
Gold's Gym	Northside Facility, School gyms, Library
Breweries for playing card games. Country club for golf. Bowling alley. Aces range for the golf simulator.	Ymca
Rock wall on base	Golds Gym
Curt Gowdy State Park, State Museum, Trampoline Park, Roller City	PlayCity
Gym	Trampoline park and golds gym
n/a	Ace's indoor golf, atlas theater
Frontier Trampoline Park; 2 Bar Bowl; Cheyenne Country Club	State and federal land west of town and the state owned open spaces in the capitol complex
Aces Range for the golf simulators.	Smart Sports
Gymnastics	Two Bar Bowl, vedauwoo/curt gowdy, art galleries and museums, Depot Plaza
Diamond Elite Gymnastics, Cole pool	LCCC
Frontier Tennis Center	Roller city, two bar bowl, flippers, Flydragon Design Art Studio
Curt Gowdy State Park	Golds Gym
Church facilities	High Plains Arboretum, Curt Gowdy State Park, Belvoir Ranch/Big Hole
Cheyenne soccer club	N/A
National forest, Curt Gowdy State Park	The Beast, state parks, schools
Diamond Elite, Act Two Studios, Park within Pointe neighborhood	YMCA
none	Frontier Days facilities
Fitness 307 (East)	none
Vedawoo and Curt Gowdy	n/a
The area north of Horse Creek road	Curt Gowdy State Park, Tie City cross country ski trails
Play city, my church's indoor gym, school playgrounds and play structures,north facility indoor gym and soccer fields	YMCA
Curt Gowdy	Country Club
YMCA	Gold's gym, trampoline park, roller skating rink, bowling.
Curt Gowdy SP	Walking on Street / Sidewalk
Curt Gowdy, our gym, the YMCA because it has better swimming lesson options, LCCC, play city and other indoor play grounds when windy or cold.	Ymca
Library, PlayCity, Gold's Gym, State Museum	Downtown Plaza
YMCA	None
LCSD#1 playgrounds	YMCA
The beast	Bowling alley, gym
Aquatic center	Gym
High plains arboretum	LCCC Pond,
None	None
Archer	Privately owned pickleball courts
Children's village, library	The Beast - which is now city
Pointe Park, North Gym private shop facility	Sidewalk maintained by airport board... and its in terrible condition, bags of dog feces where benches used to be and "closed" signs
Peach Pit	Trampoline park
	Local gyms and school playgrounds

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Peach pit indoor play space	Local gyms, and indoor barns equipped with indoor turf for soccer
None	Play City and a different Church's gym.
YMCA, Cole pool, frontier trampoline park	Gym
None	N/A
Cheyenne trap club	School playgrounds
Grassland Research Center	Trampoline park, flippers, aces range
None	PlayCity Indoor Playground
NoCo ice rink, Epic ice rink, Greeley ice rink, ice Centre at the Promenade	The Lincoln. Curt Gowdy State Park.
The county library	CrossFit gyms, firehouses
YMCA	Golds gym
Peoples private shops because we don't have any indoor facilities for baseball or softball	It was the Beast but the city purchased it.
YMCA	Beast athletic facility, WYCO Indoor hitting cages, The Factory Indoor Hitting Cages, CrossFit Cheyenne for indoor artificial turf, private outdoor artificial turf for baseball practice, Future Legends(Windsor, CO) Indoor Bubble for baseball practice
Roller City, Frontier Trampoline	CBP Natural Area
Lakes at FEWarren AFB	Library
None	YMCA
Beast,	Dance/cheer, organized sports
Gym, indoor tennis courts	None- we need a rock climbing gym
Restrooms	Airport parkway trail
Miniature Golf (both facilities)	NA
Act Two Studios, Quest Tae Kwon Do	dog park
None, that I can think of.	Golds Gym
Play City, Bowling Alley	Archer
Dirtbike track	School Facilities, Archer Complex, Cole Pool
Frontier Trampoline Park, Gold's Gym	Curt Gowdy State Park, Happy Jack Recreation area, Pole Mountain Recreation Area, Snowy Range Ski Area, Medicine Bow-Routt National Forest, Oliver Reservoir, I utilize the state highways for cycling
Beast building	Gold's Gym
The open space on holly court. The fireld behind menards	School section north of Tractor Supply, open area around Laramie County Conservation District
YMCA, Gold Gym,	Wyoming Hereford Ranch
Arboretum to the west of town	Library
Bowling	test
Beast	
N/A	
High school facilities	
Greenway	
Pershing open space	

### QUESTION 9: WHAT REASONS HAVE PREVENTED YOU OR OTHER HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS FROM USING CHEYENNE'S RECREATION FACILITIES, PROGRAMS, PARKS, TRAILS, OR NATURAL AREAS?

This question received 69 open-ended responses.

No good playground on my neighborhood - Eastridge	We live close to dry creek parkway which has a playground that is outdated and not included on city maps. It's made with old wood that my kids will always walk away with splinters from so while it's most convenient for us I try to avoid it as it's the smallest one in town and will cause splinters every time. It desperately needs updating.
Not enough safe off-leash dog walking spaces.	The enforcement of dogs off leash is non existent. I have small children and Lions Park is full of people who disregard that your pets must be leashed and it makes me feel very unsafe that these animals are constantly off leash and uncontrollable.
Ice rink manager often ridicules hockey parents and kids, often tells us and others to go to Colorado to play hockey.	we need more indoor facility space for games and practices
Cost for swimming	lack of indoor practice space for outdoor sports
My child doesn't feel welcome at drop in hockey and stick and pick because rink manager openly is rude and mean to Cheyenne capital participants.	The department does not get the word out on what is offered.
Before purchasing the Beast facility there wasn't much of an indoor sports facility to use.	I wish I could use Martin Luther King Jr Park but the transient population makes it unsafe to do so.
No lights at some tennis courts	Pool too cold
Courts need resurfaced and more lighted tennis courts	Unaware of what the City offers. Lack of advertising.
Bathroom availability	Not open in the summer (ice arena)
My family and I would highly prefer to use a city recreation center for exercising	The existing Greenways are fairly well maintained, even seem to get plowed in winter; weather-wise, it's the challenge of getting to the greenway that sucks due to sidewalks not being cleared of snow. There is a lack of connection to the greenways from other potential access points to the greenway. Many roadways like US-30, East Lincolnway, College Drive, and others have a lack of infrastructure to support means of travel besides the car, and what infrastructure does exist is poorly maintained and/or very low quality (feels unsafe).
Lack of facilities	Bathroom facilities would be nice
Ice disappears for the summer! Use EPIC in Fort Collins and NOCO in Timnoth, CO. No indoor rec center for families like every other city in WY has..	Too many unleashed dogs
Need more cold weather indoor options. Covered driving range. Large covered indoor soccer, football, baseball facility. Maybe you've heard them, they're called rec center	Ice is not year round at Events Center
Too many big kids for my toddlers to play	Homeless people casing the places or camping.
Really the Beast rec center could be utilized by our volleyball club. As it is unknown if there will be a program without practice space available	Ice rink doesn't offer year round ice.
Being removed from a facility that recently was purchased by the city	You don't have ice year round so we are stuck driving to Colorado for any ice time. We spend a lot of money outside our city for this reason. Over \$1,000 every summer.
Excessive flying insects	Swim pool has few and short open swim hours
Homeless, trash, vandalism at various places on the greenway, especially near Sun Valley and the college underpass, people live out there, it is not safe, there are holes cut in the fence, no one does anything about it	The ice is no longer available to play hockey.
We all know we're lacking a rec center for indoor sports and activities during the long winter months.	In the summer it's the lack of ice for the kids to skate. Have to go Colorado or drive to Casper
Handicap access	We are part of the hockey community and are very dismayed at the lack of year round ice accessibility. It's unfortunate that the city builds gymnastic facilities and remodels the botanic gardens only to take away ice from our kids just to put in roller skating that no one uses. As far as events outside of hockey season most are now at the Archer so that isn't really a reason to pull ice in February.
Homeless	Ice is only seasonal so we go out of town
Construction and closures without accommodations for greenway users. Also flooding in the greenway tunnels.	No ice for summer skating activities
I forgot about the dog park at the shelter, would be nice to have another option because it's always crowded.	
Water is too cold at toddler indoor pool.	
Ice & Events Center during the past Cheyenne Capitals season had issues regarding cleanliness - restrooms, lacking toilet paper, food and beverage spills in the spectator seating	

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We don't have year round ice so we have to drive to Colorado weekly to play hockey and ice skate
Bad advertising. You don't find out about activities until they are booked or over
BEAST Manger, Andrew Coe
Not enough bathrooms, lack shelter space if storm comes up, too many people in a small space
All the paths are pavement it would be nice to have some soft dirt trails to run on.
Multi-use facilities not available for my desired sport
Ice at ice and events center is only during the winter and switched out in the summer. The city already has a year round roller rink. The ice and events center should remain ice all year long.
There is no ice for hockey in the summer so Colorado gets all of our money or other year round rinks in WY
Being told by management we aren't important
The ice and event center is not managed appropriately and is not conducive for kids to learn the game of hockey. Other facilities that are less than an hour away offer more for kids and families are willing to go to the other facilities due to the lack of opportunities at the ice arena here. The ice and events center is poorly run.
Poor cold weather rec options.

Ice rink is not year around. We go to greeley casper and foco and other Colorado facilities.
MLK is overrun with homeless
City is up in the air on whether my daughter's club volleyball program can utilize The Beast for practices etc. Eclipse volleyball has provided a huge resource to kids, keeping them active and out of trouble and now that program may be in jeopardy due to having nowhere to practice.
Lack of indoor practice facilities.
Not enough indoor space
Need more fenced dog parks
Flooding tunnels
Johnson Pool badly needs upgraded. I really haven't familiarized myself with BEAST now that the City owns it and accessibility. I wish ice skating was year-round - the kids have to backtrack every year in their programming due to the long off-season. The aquatic center has occasionally been booked when we wanted to go. I think that has improved without COVID protocols but we've also gotten to where we pay for a Cole pool pass rather than hassling with the aquatic center schedule.
Flooding on greenway
I try to avoid loose dogs.
nothing

Lots of litter on greenway paths and walkways at parks, including drug related items
Dog park is used more than any... the beast is busy year around.
No Ada and very little protection from weather at north park and cahill
There has never been a sign for Centennial Park. Sometimes motorcycles and snowmobiles use this park like a raceway.
Would love public spaces to be smoke free
Not enough golf courses, too crowded, what is time frame for development of park on east Pershing to connect with Greenway
Bathrooms at Holiday Park are unsafe
Everything is tough with our weather, takes more care!
Holliday park is very sketchy with all of the homeless people.
Holiday park is not clean you can not use the restroom for it being dirty or a homeless person sleeping in the facility. They even check your car doers to see if your car is locked when they walk around.
Bathrooms at Holliday Park are not good
Lights at the Holliday Park Tennis courts often do not work properly. .i.e. the timers need to be in sync with darkness.
Pool expansion was underinvested and mountain bike/bike infrastructure/trail development is underwhelming.
The increase of unhoused people in the parks have made it difficult to want to take the kids out. Even in a large group event we are constantly harassed, even having a grown man want to pick a fight with my 11 year old son during a church barbecue. Security has become the biggest concern for the city parks.
homeless people in holiday park is a problem
Jaycee Park needs restroom facilities
I know MLK can get a little messy, but the works crew does a good job maintaining it.
Holliday park is sometime a little scary
Require people to clean up after pets, especially in summer
RESTROOMS! Keep them clean and OPEN! Too many homeless people in the parks, I do not feel safe at times.
North Park could use some litter removal on the dirt trails
They all have room for improvement
We need to stop wasting money on old facilities and invest in a new rec center
I'd love to see new trees planted to replace the ones being removed.
It's more chat effective to maintain and staff a few larger diverse faculties versus more limited poor quality facilities. Sell some of that real estate and consolidate
Dog poop in Pando Park
PLASE DONT USE LAWN CHEMICALS, IT DEFEATS THE WHOLE PURPOSE WHICH IS FRESH AIR.
Excessive Homeless Population
Way over watered-swampy in many areas
No
Monkey bars seem to have wasp in them often.

Improve maintenance of mini golf at ice and events center
I think P&R does an amazing job at keeping our Parks clean and in good condition!
Bathrooms being shutdown often. So people who walk in colder weather have no facility availability.
The old Beast Foundation is a facility for sporting events especially Club Volleyball
Ice and event center has very poor conditions and very out of the way
No
Removing club sports is restricting growth and income from our communiy .
Many city owned buildings are poorly managed, not kept clean, hours of operation aren't convenient.
not enough indoor areas, we need a rec center
I put average on each of these due to the varying conditions at different parks given within the list. Some parks have newer equipment and are better maintained than others from what we have seen.
City does a great job maintaining the parks and Greenway
Parks equipment doesn't get fixed...so more gets trashed faster.
litter is the main thing I notice
Drug addicts and sexual weirdos hang out in park restrooms. I won't let my kids go in them until I make sure there isn't anything gross going on and no drug paraphernalia there
Vandalism is a problem overall, United Nations Park play equipment is not in great shape
Q10 is hard to answer because not every facility in a group as listed can be rated the same.
We need another ice-skating rink. One rink open only part of the year is not enough.
No
n/a
Would be nice to pressure wash them gazebos every once in awhile
North park is a really unique park with off-road style trails for hiking and biking it could really use some updates.
Play equipment often has broken or missing pieces. Most parks need more mulch. The aquatics center never has all of the spray features working, especially the spray park which barely worked every time we visited last summer
Bathrooms need to be cleaned more often.
Kids zip line at pioneer park needs help
It seems like an increase in graffiti which is not against the parks dept but still sad. Noticed a lot at Mylar park
Homeless creating unsafe environment at the parks. Homeless harassing women with children at Holiday park. Vehicles parked during the day at Holliday park having their windows broken out with belongings stolen. Homeless sleeping out in the open at MLK park. Homeless partying during the middle of the day at Coke Gonzalez baseball field with open drug use..
Unchecked vandalism is a concern.
No

### QUESTION 11: DO YOU HAVE ANY COMMENTS REGARDING EXISTING CONDITIONS?

This question received 165 open-ended responses.

Do better with surveys, clearly written by people who don't understand the problem or want to do better	Canada thistle needs control on greenway. Goats are NOT the answer.
The mosquitos at North Park and Cahil can be very bad	Halladay park sometimes doesn't feel safe
Too much dog poop!! I walk dogs - they poop, I pick it up! Its not that hard & makes a big difference in cleanliness. Why cant people pick up their dog crap?!?!	Transcients in the summer are a problem
Many of the parks could use more interactive activities for children and better access and equipment for people with disabilities.	Need more events so I don[t have to travel outside Cheyenne, need larger spaces to Cheyenne Cruise Nights
I have been very impressed by the snow/ice maintenance on the Cheyenne Greenway.	Romero is overrun by ATVs. Disc golf course is ruined
Need more safe places to let the dogs run. More dog parks.	We have to have more indoor rescreation spaces. There has to be some empty warehouses in Cheyenne that could be turned into i door turf facilities for instance.
Rink is often busiests on evenings and weekends. Facility is mostly staff with management during 8-5 and highschoolers or young adults managing nights and weekends. Often times trash, stands with trash, paper towels, and toilet paper are not addressed.	Trash needs to be picked up in and around greenway.
Aquatic center is aging & could use an outdoor swim.	Need more/larger year round facility for youth sports and track walking!
I appreciate all the efforts by park staff to keep parks mowed, bathrooms open and greenways plowed from snow!	I marked community centers as poor because we NEED more. Cheyenne NEEDS a rec center!!!!
Landscaping at Cahill Park is not always in good shape due to use of the park.	I mentioned earlier, but we really need a revamp on Western Hills Park. It is an amazing space and is not being maintained properly. The bush/tree area has become overgrown in the past few years. The drip system exists but doesn't seem to work. The trees are dying.The grass is littered with wood chips and is dry and dying/sparce. This space is amazing in a very nice neighborhood and I would love to see the city put more time into maintaining it. Covid seems to have completely changed the maintainence of this park.
It seems that the stardards of care in all areas has declined in the last few years	Dog poop dispensers are often empty.
Add bathrooms to parks with tennis courts like Jaycee	



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Aquatic center needs to be torn down and rebuilt with new pools and pool systems, locker rooms that are updated with showers, sinks and toilets that don't leak or will work as well as putty no thelocker rooms far away from entrance doors. A pool that has handicap capabilities for wheel chair entrances into the pool that is heated would be great.	None	The east community park needs mowed	Some of the best I have seen.
It is a pain and too costly to reserve these spaces	Remove all of the graffiti at brimmer park skate park next to east high school looks ugly and trash looking	There is so much dog poop on the recreational fields and parks!!	You wrapped some really nice places in the areas that are marked poor like Cahill park that is very nice and Kiwanis community center that is takin very good care but the aquatics center is always closed and is a bit run down
The Ice & Events Center this past Capitals hockey season left one not wanting to use the restroom facilities. When approached, the staff either 1) didn't care, 2) responded with the facility was for the Public. The Cheyenne Capitals need to move elsewhere. The facilities at north Park are hit or miss. Am assuming a contract is awarded to a local business to maintain. The port-a-potties may be clean or maybe laying on their side due to not being secured.	Pickleball cts need number and player management plan, seating to watch play and better access to the courts. Safety of balls rolling on courts because there are no court dividing fencing. City was given all the info. This was ignored. Those building knew nothing about the sport.	Weeds could be controlled inside the playground areas of the neighborhood parks	North Park NEEDS MORE BATHROOMS, AND THEY NEED TO BE OPEN LONGER AND EARLIER.
Holliday park is close to my house but we refuse to go there because of safety concerns	Milk park and holliday need to be cleared of homeless and druggies. Very sad that bathroom facilities are not available on the greenway and some parks. Maybe put cameras up and arrest those that destroy the facilities	Ice rink cant even keep ice year round	Ice and Events is amazingly well kept considering the surroundings.
I will say that Cahill park is often vandalized. It seems the city does well to negate when it happens but over the last few years its condition has definitely deteriorated. My reason for rating poor on open spaces is solely for the desperate need for the playground in the dry creek parkway needing to desperately be updated.	Holiday park could be kept cleaner, duck poop is always bad there	Ice and event center cleanliness, conditions of property showing lot of wear and tear, concessions inadequate compared to other facilities in other communities	City should invest in renovating older existing facilities
Ice and event center seats are broken. Homeless live outback.	The aquatic center is terrible - the water is freezing for kids every single time. We've stopped going. Jaycee park playground needs some maintenance and swings - otherwise love it.	We more winter sports areas.....hills like the one in sun valley park. Ice skating etc	I think Jason and his team do an excellent job. I'm not a big fan of the porta-potties in winter but understand why.
Too much goose poop	The restrooms are not accessible, clean, or safe at Cahill park	Open up sloans lake for swimming clean up the lake so people can enjoy it.	Most grass areas are overwatered resulting in puddles and muddy areas. Greenway tunnels fill with storm water and are frequently full for weeks or longer. Bathrooms often need maintenance, toilet paper, soap and hand sanitizer. Vagrants congregate at MLK Jr park and Holiday Park, making these areas feel unsafe.
Playground surfacing often falling apart	Year round bathrooms are much needed	No	MLK park is an insult to the man it was named after.
Continue working on cleaning up crow creek from homeless	Need year round ice	Ice rink seats are broken, heater only halfway works, locker rooms and restrooms are deteriorating.	Restrooms - I know it's just about impossible to keep them clean and the vagrants out of them, but please patrol more often.
I'd like to see some improved paths at Kiwanis Park (not sure of the name - east on Pershing Blvd extension)	No	Yellowstone underpass is constantly filthy and flooded. It's impossible to use most of the summer making it so there are no safe options for crossing Yellowstone on foot.	I wish that you would consult with the Cheyenne Audubon group before cutting down shrubs.
Bathroom availability and cleanliness/maintenance could be improved	Lions park southeast side needs grass and picnic areas really bad. Its so barren and ugly.	We have stopped using Cahill Park and Holiday Park due to safety concerns.	Love the parks
The green way is lost in many areas and needs more garbage cans	Big homeless problem at MLK field	Goose droppings are starting to become more of an issue again.	More native planting
I think our parks are beautifully maintained, there's always room for improvements or upgrades but I love our parks and feel fortunate to have access to them!	No	We need more nature walk areas that actually focus on a healthy, native ecosystem, and public education	
Much of the greenway is pretty trashed	The ice rink does not have ice year round		
I think the city does well given the resources it has	Need ice longer, too much traveling to CO for kids ice time.		
I worry about the MLK park due to transients and drugs	Ice & Event center, director Jeff, is abusive to his employees, renters, and out of town people		
Areas could be updated and better maintained	City does a good job		
Some playground equipment needs replacement	Sun Valley Park has no flowers or flowering trees (Lilacs)		
Need to adapt trees and other vegetation to hotter, warmer weather and make them low maintenance in the process.	The ice and events center needs year round ice!		
Reduce vandalism	The ice and events center needs to be renovated and it would be amazing to have year round ice. As soon as the ice is gone we have to travel to Colorado to meet our needs. I would rather stay in town.		
A lot of dog waste in open parks that aren't developed. It isn't the city's fault but maybe more dog waste receptacles could be installed.	Sometimes the parks have trash on the playground, but trash and vandalism are difficult to control.		
Smaller parks need maintenance and refurbishing	The spray park is not worth the money it costs. Its extra feom swim admission. Its full of leaves and trash, we didnt have a very good time		
Not cleaned regularly	Some of the baseball fields are overrun by homeless and crazy people. For exame, we call the MLK baseball field "murder park" and never practice there without at least 1 armed parent.		
Cheyenne's parks are a fantastic community asset.	Yes, we don't have enough inddor space.		
The Parks Staff and CRE Team are amazing- given the many tasking they have, they do a wonderful job.	So many mosquitos at mylar		
MLK had way too many homeless people	Jason Sanchez' crew is responsive to park updates.		
Lions park Ampetheater needs drainage maintenance and would love to see it used for more family friendly events.	Bathrooms are not always stocked properly. Places generally are neat and clean. I enjoy the parks and open spaces here.		
	More Bathroom access year round would be very nice to see.		
	Need full time ice and move summer events elsewhere		
	Plowing during the winter on the greenway is phenomenal		

### QUESTION 12: FOR EACH TYPE OF FACILITY, PLEASE INDICATE IF THERE IS TOO MUCH, TOO LITTLE, OR THE RIGHT AMOUNT TO SERVE THE COMMUNITY.

This question received 44 open-ended responses.

Golf into enough	Golf Options
play equipment for people with handicapped	Closed structures open to public use. There is not much ability to gather in public spaces when it is cold outside. It's like only being allowed to have a community half the year.
Amenities on the greenway	rec center
Golf	with our weather, INDOOR AMENITIES/ACTIVITIES!
shade trees	please consider a greenway along Sheridan st. by the creek. there is little greenway for these parts north of Dell Range and it would help clean up that area!
more lighted tennis courts	Indoor track/indoor rec center
Need more sport teams to be able to come. Need more car shows	Baby swings
More green spaces, pocket park's downtown	we need a nice/safe outdoor pool/facility and more indoor practice/game facilities for all the months we have poor weather. we often go out of town for these types of amenities
More trees! Especially for dog parks!	Water fountains along the green way would be fantastic
Golf courses	Climbing walls
Downtown parks	Parks in general
Indoor Tennis Courts	None
Indoor tennis	We need year round ice skating. We need 2 ice rinks
Need more tennis court lighting	
where are the indoor tennis courts that every other major city features?	
Na	

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this town needs an indoor track facility	Indoor track facility
Get more dog parks and add more light around the green ways	Rec center
Lighting along the greenway (doesn't even exist at intersection points usually). Also, connections to areas that would shorten the distance to access greenway.	Need year around ice
Rec Center like every other town in Wyoming	Outdoor public running track
Clean benches and seating	Bike pump track.
South Cheyenne golf course	Recreation space for kids in the community
Signs and dotted lines on greenway to dictate right and left side	Doggie pots
	Neighborhood parks need restrooms. NORTH PARK NEEDS RESTROOMS ON THE NORTHEAST SIDE.

### QUESTION 14: COMMUNITIES PROVIDE PARKS, RECREATIONAL AMENITIES, TRAILS, AND OPEN SPACES FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS. PLEASE RATE HOW IMPORTANT YOU THINK EACH OF THESE PURPOSES IS FOR CHEYENNE.

This question received 52 open-ended responses.

Decrease loneliness	Access to sports fields year round
Provide safe spaces to exercise pets.	the ability to host not only local but larger events/sports competitions/etc
Dog parks	Cheyenne needs indoor practice facilities for sports as well as better facilities to host tournaments
slow runoff, flood control, improve water quality	Promote community and neighborhood interactions
indoor tennis courts	We LOVE the greenway for weekend transportation
Public transportation	To give opportunities to our youth.
Focus on YEAR ROUND facilities for youth sports and track walking.	Have a Rev Center
Picnics	an indoor recreation center like Gillette has
Weed control on all streets	Minimize risk of extreme incidents such as car crashes, car vs person/bicycle, etc. People keep getting hit by cars going at a high rate of speed.
Tennis	Mental health
Provide indoor recreation facilities for the city	Year round, easy access, kids facility
Dogs, dogs, dogs--taking precedence her people and spreading ticks! People should have the right of way.	None
Public forum. There are very few publicly available spaces that are free of charge.	Preserve open and green space
More indoor sports facilities and outdoor fields	Indoor facilities for poor weather
Support our kids	Indoor meetings facility. Library rooms normally booked
Allowing club teams to continue using Old Beast facility	Safe places
Rec center!	Keep the ice rink open all year round.
Club sports	Safety
rec center for teens/kids	Growth of youth sports opportunities
Sanity when the weather (wind!) is bad	Keep the ice rink open year round!!!!
None	Entertain the youth, rec center!
Foster Economic Development	Rec center
allow handicapped adults and children access to nature.	Safe places to run and walk without traffic or bikes
Attract residents to be active	Indoor exercise and walking paths for use during poor weather.
Hosting youth tournaments so we don't trade to Colo all the time	Drainage and groundwater recharge.
Enhance community's outdoor recreating	Greenspace is good for individual health.

### QUESTION 15: HOW IMPORTANT DO YOU THINK IT IS FOR CHEYENNE TO INVEST IN THE FOLLOWING IN THE NEXT TEN YEARS IN RESPONSE TO COMMUNITY GROWTH?

This question received 50 open-ended responses.

A true rec center for everyone can go to one place	Include parks in older neighborhoods
S	More golf courses
Increase indoor recreation space	Connect West Cheyenne and Downtown to the Greenway
Dog parks	More bike yrails
expand tree canopy	lions park amphitheater for more family friendly concerts
Expand or improve golf courses	We need 2 year round ice arenas
Downtown park spaces	Maintain urban core/centrally located parks as the flagship parks - holiday/lions/aquatic center.
Recreation center for all ages	Indoor sports facilities/indior track facility
Close in driving. No more traveling 15+ miles for rec	Year round ice at events center
The drug and transient and loitering problems MUST BE ADDRESSED ASAP!	Year round ice
Build another ice rink	Inddor track and indoor sports facility
Recreation center	Have ice skating year round
Indoor walking track in a rec center	Improve and renovate current indoor recreation facilities
Club sports	Expand the swimming lessons to the school pools such as east to offer more times, the classes always fill up very quickly and forces me to use private, or they are i ly offered during work hours
rec center for kids/teens	Build a year round ice rink
Indoor park/amenities is very very important!	Indoor track
Gymnastics facility	Add a second sheet of ice and an indoor sports arena
None	Side side parks
Indoor recreation facility	Rec center please!
Belvoir Ranch accessibility	Year around ice
Maintain what we have first. Don't build/acquire more until current properties are well taken care of.	Expand the greenway and create unpaved bike trails.
All expenditures utilizing tax dollars should be ballot items	Keep organizations that utilize The Beast, able to continue to use The Beast as before so that the community is not losing organizations that have provided a huge resource to kids.
Access for athletes year round at North Park. Year round ice at the Ice and Event center.	test
i think most important is indoor facilities	test
NEED indoor practice facilities and better outdoor fields to host tournaments	
Include a space for rock climbing	

### QUESTION 17: HOW DO YOU FIND OUT INFORMATION ABOUT THE CITY'S RECREATION FACILITIES, EVENTS, PROGRAMS, PARKS, TRAILS, OR NATURAL AREAS?

This question received 33 open-ended responses.

wait, what - you have a newsletter? how do I sign up for the newsletter?	Newspaper
Visit Cheyenne	This survey is way too long
need more info!	Tribune Eagle
Newspapers	Online news sources without pay walls
	Visit Cheyenne newsletter



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Online Cheyenne news sites
I think the problem is that I don't find out about anything like that. Have you guys considered radio ads?
newspaper
Local News Feed
signage
extremely important to increase marketing of these facilities. out-of-site, out-of-mind.
The recreation guide that gets mailed to my house
Mostly by accident
Facebook
Community newsletter like The Legend
Department does a poor job of advertising what is offered.
Newspaper, City Rec catalog

newspaper - WTE
City employee email
Newspaper
Stumbling across them when moving through the city.
Cheyenne needs a website to announce ALL activities in the city.
Council & Commission meetings
Ice and event center calendar
Wyoming Tribune Eagle
City or other organizations mailings
Email from the Recreation Department
workplace
Communication for youth sports is awful. No one knows when anything is happening and so many parents/kids miss sign ups because they never knew they were happening.

Very much appreciate the availability of parks, trails and open spaces for recreational use.

Need more options to hold larger events for car shows and gatherings. Need to have facilities so more larger sporting events can come to Cheyenne.

Maintain green spaces, plant more trees and water them! Pickup trash and get rid of graffiti in prone areas like greenway.

The city really needs a year-round facility for youth sports to continue and for aging adults to keep walking in a less-windy, more safe environment. Research the indoor athletic facility on Offutt AFB in NE. Would be a fantastic start!!! Take a portion of the dead mall and bring it alive with sports and a health and wellness focus.

Thank you for looking at solutions!

Getting city info is difficult

"Please invest in downtown parks! Example being a pocket park next to the Tivoli building. Encourage spaces for concerts, etc. downtown in addition to Depot Plaza.

Weeds in medians and along sidewalks have been really bad the past few summers.

I already mentioned Western Hills Park - so many people would be so grateful for a renewed look at its maintenance specifically as it pertains to the bush/tree area and the grass. It is so overlooked that a person whose backyard is adjacent to the park has built their own garden bed in the easement! Complete misuse of city land and ruins the aesthetic of the park. Just an example that this park is obviously not being looked at closely. However, I do appreciate how well kept our city is overall. I know a huge amount of effort is put into it beautification and the city does a WONDERFUL job. These are just suggestions for improvements. "

We need more indoor space for all of our community members.

We moved here 2 yrs ago. It would be nice to be able to have a map of the city. We know where only a few parks are. Unrelated, but we couldn't find the entrance to the airport until one day I saw the sign by accident. I'm 69 & lived in 4 other states & nowhere but here are there intersections with NO stop signs. What's up with that? Perhaps stop signs ought to have a greater priority than parks.

Indoor facilities for recreation would enhance quality of life for all residents (youth and adult programming). The weather isn't great here so indoor space is incredibly important in ensuring people are active.

Tennis is growing, and other communities in the state are outpacing Cheyenne for facilities. This is something that would bring people to town, for tournaments, state high school tournament, etc. We need good lighting as well as indoor facilities for the winter months.

Whatever you do to make better.....do a first class job, not 1/2 way!!!

A new indoor area for tennis and pickleball would be very popular I think!

Adding in single track trails for biking in existing parks helps increase the usage available in existing spaces.

The Ice and Event Center needs to keep ice year round.

Indoor facilities (like indoor tennis/pickleball courts, workout facilities or other multi-use courts) seem like the number one opportunity to attract and create additional year-round accessibility and opportunities. With our Cheyenne weather, I believe that these indoor options can be the best use of redirecting or utilizing future funds.

Would like to see some additional public indoor racquet sports facilities. Thank you for asking for our feedback.

Please turn the lights on at Holliday park earlier!

The recent purchase by the City of the BEAST facility has pushed out the largest, most well run and most established youth volleyball league, Eclipse, and other teams. This program is extremely well coached, valuable to the community and leads to high school seniors getting sports scholarships every year. Because the City has decided to run their adult leagues in this facility, Eclipse and other teams may not exist in the future due to lack of available courts. The City should always prioritize youth sports opportunities over adult leagues and should invest in a large volleyball facility, as this is the fastest growing youth sport in the nation.

With a few exceptions, I think Cheyenne pales in comparison with our front range neighbors. If Cheyenne wishes to attract businesses, retirees, tourists, etc. then the city needs to make major improvements in what it offers residents and visitors who seek quality recreational opportunities. The Children's Garden and the Botanic Gardens are examples of what can and should be done to bring Cheyenne up to the level of neighboring communities.

Please don't build a center where a private company wants to manage it through taxation

Keep investing and transforming Cheyenne. Existing and future generations deserve expanded opportunities close to home.

It feels like the parks have been in a transition away from recreational spaces to event locations. As a kid it seemed more of a place where we could gather for a pickup game of touch football or to fire up a barbecue and throw a frisbee. but all of the smaller picnic enclosures have been consolidated into large gathering pavilions. While it is understandable to have large gathering locations, the removal of the smaller areas does not seem to advance the accessibility of the park system as a gathering place. I feel like niche projects like the greenway and the new pickleball courts have precluded the improvement of general community space. I feel like 80% of the recent "improvements" have not improved on community recreation. A prime example is the marsh exploration area at peanut pond. It was something that initially seemed like an educational experience. but has become a breeding ground for overgrown reeds and mosquitos. The addition of the Splash Pad was an incredible addition to the city's recreational locals, however it feels like Parks & Recs are more concerned with the feeding habits of geese and squirrels than they are with the infrastructure of community recreation.

CFD indoor tennis facility is abysmal. If you are attempting to discourage tennis in Cheyenne, bad weather is your pal and CFD courts are your tool.

"I like the direction the city is moving with regards to improving recreation opportunities, like the purchase of ""The Beast"". And I like the friendliness and helpful nature of the staff. I would like to see the floor at ""The Beast"" to be mopped more frequently. (Maybe an over night ""Robotic"" mopping system?"

### QUESTION 18: DO YOU HAVE OTHER COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS FOR CHEYENNE'S PARKS, TRAILS, AND OPEN SPACES SYSTEM?

This question received 201 open-ended responses.

We need a large outdoor pool for the community. Buffalo, WY has an amazing outdoor pool that could be used as an example for Cheyenne!

"Please put more greenway on the west side of town, I don't want to have to bike like 5 extra miles to go to work safely or risk my safety."

"Do the best you can with what we have. Don't add more to your budget such an another park with out having more funding. You have a lot to take care of now with the funding you have. Think into the future of more golf because it is so hard now to get a tee time. Add more people to community and who will get to play, just a few people"

Yes, if you want community feedback make the survey easier to find and leverage social media. I only found this survey by accident, so better Cheyenne.

More pet friendly parks. A place that pets can be off leash to run and train.

Please invest in micro parks in all neighborhoods - even just installing play equipment at existing facilities (softball, baseball fields) or making greater use of small green spaces

This is a very important component of our community - keep investing in this system.

Please add dog poop bags and trash cans in the open area at North park. I love walking there but may pet owners don't pick up there trash. I'd like to see smaller parks get upgrades so more people can access them and please add more toilets at the parks and in winter when many are closed. Thanks. I love our parks and appreciate the work that goes into them!

Finding safe access to the Livingston Walmart should be a fairly high priority since there are so many people regularly crossing the tracks and walking along the viaduct to walk to Walmart. Also having legal off-leash dog walking areas within a 10 min drive of eastern Cheyenne would be hugely beneficial and regularly used.

Keep up the good work. Put up more poop bag dispensers throughout the park system. Make a safe place to let the dogs run free without getting a ticket from animal control.

"Maximize resources by applying for grants. We need an outdoor pool. Scholarships/discounts for children on SNAP or homeless/less fortunate."

Love the Greenway!

Great asset to the community, but need to continue to maintain and improve the park system. The two new additions of Rotary and Kiwanis parks are a big step into the future. The development of their master plans is a great vision of their development. Sixth penny tax funds should be sought to make them happen as soon as possible. Start with Rotary Park as it is not a large park and pieces of Kiwanis Park to show the community progress is being made.

concentrate on maintaining current facilities and acreage at a more optimal level

Restrooms at tennis courts would be great.

Don't put park benches adjacent to trash cans...they stink! Plant trees close enough to paved greenway so that one day they may actually shade the path. Open space! Front Range Cities are light years ahead of understanding the appeal of open space. Cheyenne needs to get with it if this city hopes to compete economically with our southern neighbors. Business owners locate based on quality of life, not just economics, so amenities like open space help lure business.

More restroom or port-a-potties at small parks like Jaycee Park.



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I would like to see the continued support for tennis courts and to have pickleball have their own courts without taking over already existing tennis courts. It would be wonderful if the city could provide indoor courts for tennis as they have done for pickleball.
Please keep restrooms open and clean. Remove homeless people. Develop Belvoir trail system as promised years ago. Work to get a better indoor tennis center.
Love the Greenway and parks overall. I would appreciate it if the bathrooms were available all year long. I understand issues with vandalism, but I am one of the good guys who just needs to go sometimes when I am out running and biking. Or if the bathrooms can't be unlocked, maybe add porta potties during the offseason?
Having neighborhood green space is important to my spirit, and studies show it helps lower stress and crime. Keep up your good work!
People are jogging, playing, breathing hard so please stop using lawn chemicals! Please. And the transients, teen groups and drug (and urination/defecation) trends must be addressed. Finally, dog walkers often overrun the rights of people just plain walking. Not fair.
I think publicly available spaces are necessary for the community culture to grow. Especially in the winter time, culture seems to stagnate in Cheyenne. More indoor public options could help with that, and they could help cement parks as a year-round option for social gatherings of all kinds.
We really need a rec center. I hope that the city could pair up with the school districts and county and build a nice facility that could generate revenue and provide a place for the youth and a safe space for the elderly to stay social and active!
It's kind of lame you let Saddle Ridge residents dictate not adding another sports area in "their" subsivision
More MTB trails would be great
Keep the Beast gym for volleyball practices
Build a recreation center for indoor sports
We need places for youth to play sports, host tournaments to bring in revenue for the community (hotels, food, etc). We travel to CO almost every weekend and we'd love to be able to support our own community.
"I would like to see Cheyenne indoor gym facilities be more accessible to youth sports clubs. I have been disappointed in the transition of the BEAST from a private entity to a city facility, but I ultimately was pleased that the city decided to honor the contracts in place. I would like to see better cooperation between the City and youth sports clubs moving forward. We are in desperate need of a rec center. I would love to see a rec center with lots of room for youth sports and also an indoor walking track for our harsh winters. "
No
My daughter, along with over 100 plus athletes have a see Beast facility for club volleyball practices. It has grown in popularity so much and will continue as the years go on. We don't have the space like Casper or Gillette to accommodate these club teams. The past years it's always been great to use Beast. But now that the city has bought the facility, I feel like it's not going to be a good thing in our favor. And quite frankly we have nowhere else to go. And volleyball is a huge sport nation wide and will continue to grow exponentially. It has grown leaps and bound over the last 5 years. I hope that yall will work with us and allow us to continue to use the Beast facility.

"Be cognizant of what happens to private facilities that are purchased by the city and how they impact non-city affiliated programs. Huge concerns with the purchase of the BEAST facility as indoor space for volleyball/basketball clubs is very limited. City can't provide all programs for all levels of play which is where the independent clubs come in. Without proper space to operate a club for competitive leagues it's just another thing pushing our youth to Colorado where they have many many options for club sports that also come at premium for price. However, if there are no options due to no practice/game locations available in the City it doesn't matter what the costs are people will take their kids to where there are at least options. Born and raised in Cheyenne and I'm tired of the City/State giving more reasons for people to leave due to lack of viable options to keep their families here. Invest in Wyoming, invest in Cheyenne, invest in our youth otherwise this town will be nothing but an aging retirement community.
Frustrated with lack of infrastructure investment as a whole even competing with other WY towns for Club/High School sporting event hosting. Other cities like Gillette don't charge field use for tournaments because they understand it's a loss leader. The money ""lost"" on field use pales in comparison to the economic impact when many teams with many families come and stay in hotels, eat at restaurants, and shop at our stores. This is the capital of WY and it's embarrassing when looking at what other communities have built. Laramie, Casper, Gillette have way more options and way nicer facilities to serve the local community while attracting others."
Myself and my family is very disappointed in the recent purchase of the Beast Foundation for adult men to play drop in basketball, this removes club sports and opportunities for our youth to grow. This is very harmful to our youth that have a chosen and path for college sports.
I love all of the outdoor spaces. Keep up the good work.
The City's purchase of The Beast facility has been detrimental to sports clubs that used that facility for team practice. The ways the city are currently using the space are a waste of resources. We desperately need more multi sport indoor facilities to support the community instead of forcing individuals to go to Colorado.
We need a rec center to keep kids engaged and out of trouble. A 1 stop, big rec center like every other town in WY has, but our capital city wont get.
I think above all else, we need a rec center with pool tables, a gym, etc. where our youth and families can go to spend the day that has options of entertainment for everyone to enjoy. Especially on the cold or windy days.
Keep up the great work
"Bring in more for the youth to do. They need places to go- this is even more important now that social media is being overwhelming. We need a large rec center We need more pools We need a rock climbing gym/ninja warrior "
Add trails, bathrooms, and interpretation at the High Plains Arboretum
Keep the homeless out.
I REFUSE to pay for a Recreation Center until ALL THE ROADS ARE FIXED AND WELL MAINTAINED. You have already been shot down on that in how many elections? STOP TRYING TO FORCE IT ON THE VOTERS by bundling it with other stuff. Y'all are stupid by doing it that way.

Remove homeless, trash, and vandalism, provide safe place for Families to enjoy the park, for example, there are lots of ignored problems at Holiday Park
the maintenance teams that mow/clean Holliday Park need to be better trained to deal with public. walkers in the park feel like if they try to report something it falls on deaf ears.
New ideas and improvements sound good, but it would be awesome if planning and funding would go towards existing facilities/infrastructure/etc. maintenance and upkeep. One example would be clearing blockages along Dry Creek on a regular basis.
"Can't emphasize enough to increase indoor facilities such as aquatic pool (that has more interesting slides, water activities), bowling, billiards/pool table, pingpong table, corn hole, tennis, golf simulator, foosball, walking area, ""hanging out"" area with better concession stands for food/drinks and without getting blown away by 40-mile winds! I'm picturing an indoor botanic park (similar to the botanic garden but bigger and with amenities) with glass ceiling to let the shine in or mimic the weather outside but still protected by the walls/ceiling. A brewery right beside the indoor park and an outdoor park so that when weather is beautiful, doors can be opened and people have the option to extend their walk/activities outside. We are currently looking for a venue to host our company party but there's only ice and events to hold our group that can provide activities (limited too - just bumper car, laser tag, skating, arcade and mini golf). ice and events gets old when you've had the party there for 3 straight years. Kiwanis is beautiful but its just a space - pool table, foosball, pingpong, board games, indoor hoops other indoor games would be nice to add to it as option to use. "
It would be great if the greenway trails were to actually connect all throughout the city so it could be safe to run long distances.
Homeless population living/sleeping in / near parks.
"Please expand the iceskating rinks and swimming pools. It would be nice to have something here like Ft Collins - the Fort with go cart racing etc. With the military base and community college, Cheyenne needs more recreation possibilities. Laramie has a lot more than Cheyenne and it's smaller. "
Would love to see Belvoir open to the public for hiking and biking!!!
Good that many parks double as stormwater infrastructure; like multifunctionality. Would like to see more greenway closer to Downtown if possible (to make it make sense for actual commuting)
Please consider an extension to the greenway along Sheridan St. beside the creek. it could be a beautiful spot if cleaned up and that area north of dell range has no greenway access.
We have lots of facilities to the older population and are missing the teens and tweens grouo
Let's get that trail system off Otto Road going!
I think it's just as important to provide natural spaces for wildlife as for people. Increasing the amount of unmowed areas could provide spaces for wildlife and reduce maintenance costs. I recommend partnering with Cheyenne-High Plains Audubon Society for ideas to enhance human-nature experiences.
If the City Ranch trail system becomes a real thing it would be amazing! Gowdy is over run by people from Colorado

Please work on increasing places that would be good for children even in bad weather.
I wish the Greenway connected better. Also, I wish the Converse Greenway safely connected to the Bluffs neighborhood and Dell Range
I'd like to see more stuff to promote exercise. I'd also like to see the greenway expand to connect more of the city.
I will not vote for anything tied into downtown or frontier days. U need to invest in our youth. Hold tournament's here otherwise every weekend to Colo. Have u ever thought of all the money going across the border. Everywhere we went this last year towns investing in their youth, beautiful upgrades to facilities or brand new ones. When we comment on these facilities, they say we have to invest in out youth otherwise they will leave!. I'm sick of downtown & frontier days. I don't live downtown, I live in Cheyenne.
With their natural beauty & open spaces, both Belvoir Ranch & High Plains Arboretum have the potential to surpass both Lions & Holiday Parks as the city's Crown Jewels.
Additional benches and trash cans along the walkways would help dog walkers and people with mobility issues.
Quit buying up properties that could be bringing in property tax dollars
We live in the Bluffs subdivision and there is a neighborhood park located at the cross section of Plainview Road and Chapel Hill Drive with absolutely no cross walk. Plainview is a decently busy street and there have been multiple times that I have felt uneasy crossing it with no close crosswalk. Kids play outside in this neighborhood all the time and the park is often busy. I believe this would add a level of safety to ensure cars are paying attention and children/families have the ability to access the park safely.
Please add some sort of shade to the playgrounds! Holliday park is the only playground that receives any sort of shade on the playground in summer. Unless you go to the part extremely early in the morning all the equipment is to hot by mid morning to play on summer.
Cheyenne doesn't need anymore Greenway space or trails. We need year around ice for kids at the event center. Better access to North Park. Kids shouldn't have to go to other parks to play soccer year round. Better indoor facilities for all kids not just gym space for basketball.
"Look into Tulsa's The Gathering Place. You can Garner a lot of inspiration from here. We need something like this for our community that would also facilitate all 4 seasons. We do this it becomes an additional pull for tourism.
<a href="https://www.gatheringplace.org/">https://www.gatheringplace.org/</a> "
The lack of shade on and around playground structures and the distance between tables and the structures consistently make the parks hard to enjoy.
Where are the birds? Doesn't seem to be as many nowadays around Holliday and Lions parks. I kind of miss those cheeky squirrels in Holliday Park; haven't seen as many lately as I saw a few months ago.



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<p>Cheyenne has not kept up with the need for available spaces for children/pre-teen/teen activities, sports, and practices in a climate that is not favorable for outdoor use a majority of the year. For example, a lot of rec soccer games get cancelled in spring due to weather. A lot of rec and club sports do not have places to practice or play games or host tournaments in the 9 months of the year that weather is poor (in addition to sports that are designed to be indoors like volleyball and basketball). I think a major focus needs to be placed on creating a large indoor facility that encompasses space for all of these things and several to use at one time. I would also love to see an outdoor pool that is affordable for membership, offer accessible swim lessons and leisure time as well. I also think volleyball needs to be offered at an age younger than 4th grade and ideally in the fall to allow kids to participate in softball and soccer in the spring w/o all the overlap for games and practices.</p>
<p>Overall, Cheyenne has great outdoor facilities but it severely lacking in indoor facilities for sports to practice/ play in (lacrosse, baseball). In addition, we travel all over for tournaments in baseball and lacrosse and Cheyenne does not have adequate fields to host a tournament for lacrosse. The baseball fields are good but not the bathrooms/ concessions compared to others we travel to.</p>
<p>As a Wyoming native I have chosen to raise my kids in Cheyenne. I am saddened by the lack of parks, indoor recreation areas and green way trails available for them to grow up with compared to smaller communities within our state. Please consider a park near/around the Eastridge neighborhood as we have nothing to offer children in this area of town as well as an indoor recreation facility to foster healthy habits and encourage our youth to be involved in activities.</p>
<p>The land by the airport would be a great place for a small park and welcome visitors to growing community as they enter Cheyenne.</p>
<p>Department seems to have reduced their focus of community amenities and programming. The "recreation" side seems to be an afterthought and the diminishing numbers proves it.</p>
<p>We support additional resource allocation for our beautiful parks system! Thank you Cheyenne employees who keep our parks beautiful and growing! We would have left Cheyenne a long time ago without access to beautiful outdoor spaces!</p>
<p>"I would like to see a warmer pool, with a membership for classes...i.e. water aerobics Cold pools are no fun for kids and older folks, we need a warm therapy pool. I would like to see more golf courses, with the 10k influx we are anticipating we will need more golf options. "</p>
<p>I think the biggest priority for the city should be connecting downtown to the greenway system with protected bike/ walking paths. It is a shame that you can safely bike almost anywhere in town except the downtown/capitol area.</p>
<p>We need a real rec center. Gillette wy has an excellent model to follow</p>
<p>As a city we need to focus on making walking, biking, and other forms of alternative transportation safe and reasonable. This city is the perfect size to have extensive routes for these things and yet most of the sidewalks are being uprooted and left I maintained making walking even around downtown a safety hazard.</p>

<p>Stop gouging people to use your facilities! You are supposed to be here from our tax dollars and to support community activities and involvement. Holding more facilities in contract than what you currently need only hurts our community and especially our youth.</p>
<p>The new park on Dell Range should be kept either largely or completely in its natural state with invasive species mitigation and minimal maintenance such as goat grazing. I fully support keeping a large portion of the new eastside Kiwanis Park in its natural state and seasonally unburdened in certain areas (similar to USFS Pole Mtn). Speaking of Pole Mtn/Med Bow Nat'l Forest, the city should partner to link Belvoir Ranch with other natural areas in WY and CO. Also, we need to work around UP to open limited access to Belvoir but emphasize natural conservation.</p>
<p>We need an indoor rec center!!!</p>
<p>Second sheet of ice that can be open year round.</p>
<p>In general, I support increasing revenue that's dedicated to expanding and maintaining Cheyenne's parks and Greenway in order to expand a culture that promotes healthy outdoor activities and keeps pedestrians/bicyclists away from vehicle traffic.</p>
<p>More dog friendly places to walk off leash.</p>
<p>Keep adding more trails</p>
<p>Really appreciate the work that is done to establish and maintain these areas for all to enjoy!!</p>
<p>Need a recreation center and another ice arena that can have ice year round</p>
<p>We need a Rec Center!</p>
<p>None at this time.</p>
<p>N/A</p>
<p>Enough with the outdoor parks that people don't use. The watering, mowing, and other maintenance eats up so much money when people don't use it. Invest in places that have interest and let private clubs use facilities. The city doesn't have to put on the programs. Work with programs and clubs already in place.</p>
<p>I feel that a recreation center is a must! It is shameful that we don't have one. I'm sure you've been around the state and have seen the rec centers that other communities have.</p>
<p>"Since the Beast was bought by the city, many sports have been displaced. This has a huge impact on volleyball, basketball, softball to name a few. The school district is unwilling to commit to allow those programs space in the schools before August. This is a big problem for many club teams. "</p>
<p>We need a recreational center with multiple sports avail in it- ice skating, climbing wall, weight equipment, soccer facility, swimming, basketball....</p>
<p>This is the capitol city and we don't have a large recreation center like Gillette, Casper and Douglas, that should be a source of embarassment to this city</p>
<p>We need a full rec center. The amount of amenities that can be consolidated into a single location is massive and the benefits are huge.</p>
<p>Remove all graffiti including on the downtown Jack R. Spiker Parking Facility and over at brimmer Park skate park next to east high school. This so called graffiti poise nothing to cheyenne other than make it look ugly and trashy please remove do better at keeping onto of this ugly graffiti makes cheyenne trashy</p>

<p>City needs to do a survey of the residents, needs, what facilities you have now, what's missing. More rec and facilities for your aging population.</p>
<p>It'd be nice to see better crossings on the greenway. As they are right now, cars often do not stop or yield at crossings, and existing rumble strips don't help much/if at all with encouraging traffic to stop for crossing pedestrians. IE, I believe it could help if raised crossings, bump/bulb outs, refuge islands, and other physical features were installed that obviously indicate a crossing (there are some examples of all three features that already installed at a few locations in and around Cheyenne). In the case of busy intersections with cars and stoplights, bicycle-dedicated signals and leading pedestrian intervals could help significantly (including intersection of Dell Range/Yellowstone for instance). I've shared other ideas throughout this survey in the "other" responses. Besides that, continue working toward better tunnels where they won't flood so easily/be unusable for weeks/months at a time; so far liking what the US-30/Polk tunnel looks like and can't wait to use it!</p>
<p>"Build facilities for our youth More hockey. More gymnasium/field house more swimming more outdoor courts etc"</p>
<p>Maybe signs along greenway stating rules. Bikers don't always announce they're passing you, motorcycles and go carts are often zooming on greenway, dogs are often off leash. End of bitch list</p>
<p>"Get the airport board to fix the sidewalk along airport parkway and replant trees. Better hours at botanic gardens. No more splash pads in areas with high numbers of transients. Widen the roads at lions park (north end), seems they were designed for compact cars."</p>
<p>Just keeping up with cleanliness and some parks like holiday have safety concerns with homeless people</p>
<p>The city needs an indoor rec center - for adults and children to exercise and recreate together. The city needs to keep facilities centrally located so kids can bike and walk. Most parents can't drive their kids across town for stuff and I fear the city is eying expansion of parks only on the east side of town whereas historically the parks have been centrally located/focused. Getting real bike lanes should be a priority too - not these "designated bike roads" to fill oklutbthe greenway and making sure people don't park in the bike lanes. Parks should be designed to encourage active lifestyle through walking and biking to the park. Putting parks like Cahill off the busiest street in town is bizarre to me.</p>
<p>Focus on some year round, indoor facilities.</p>
<p>There is not enough ice time for our youth hockey teams and they need more support</p>
<p>North park need its trails maintained</p>
<p>Streamline education funds more effectively and place more funds towards the parks, trails, etc. Absolutely go forward with the already established plans for the Belvoir Ranch and Big Hole property.</p>
<p>" Need another sheet of ice "</p>
<p>Get the homeless drug addicts out of the greenway areas. Ship them to Denver.</p>
<p>You lose a significant revenue source when you don't allow year round ice. You could host camps, stick and pucks, spring league hockey that would all generate more revenue than public skates. We all pay for those things all summer in Colorado instead.</p>

<p>Indoor facility is important. We have lots of outdoor areas and bad weather. We need a recreational center.</p>
<p>I would love to see more hockey ice in Cheyenne, my family spends thousands in Colorado every summer and early fall as the ice we put in gets pushed farther and farther back every year. We even drive up to Casper for year round ice almost weekly.</p>
<p>The city needs to work with school district to utilize all the facilities paid for by taxpayers to benefit sports programs for youth, adults, and seniors.</p>
<p>No</p>
<p>I am very disappointed in the amount of pools that are available in Cheyenne. I don't feel like my daughter has the opportunity to learn how to swim while living here.</p>
<p>The pool needs to be updated. Need more open swim times.</p>
<p>Ice year round would better than an empty facility.</p>
<p>Invest in the youth then they will have less time for anything bad</p>
<p>Keep them safe and well lit. Emergency phones along the way</p>
<p>We are desperate for more indoor options since the weather prevents most from going out and enjoying time 2/3 of the year!</p>
<p>More restrooms</p>
<p>Need to add more flowering trees in Sun Valley Park. Lilacs are easy to maintain and do well in Wyoming weather. Please add some flowers in Sun Valley Park.</p>
<p>We need a place for year round ice and year round skating</p>
<p>There are limited activities for kids in Cheyenne. There is an increased interest in ice skating. We should provide this opportunity year so kids can develop their skills throughout the year. We already have a roller skating rink that the city should not be competing against. I know this has been brought to city council and the mayor on multiple occasions. Let's keep our money and our kids in Cheyenne instead of traveling to other communities</p>
<p>It would be great if you advertised through the schools about the upcoming rec leagues and activities. That is a captive audience that could easily send fliers home!</p>
<p>We should mirror other places that have larger indoor rec facilities, such as Casper. For being the capital we are lacking when compared to other communities. We put wayyyy to much into CFD and a lot of us are no longer interested in the crowds and cost of cfd and want other options, but it appears that is the only thing that is significantly supported year after year. With the wind we need indoor activities that are big enough to accommodate the community. An full indoor water park would be amazing!</p>
<p>Cheyenne is very behind in developing public indoor facilities to play soccer, lacrosse, batting practice, pickleball, basketball, etc. Other cities that have amazing indoor recreation spaces for youth and adults. Our youth are at a disadvantage because they cannot continue building warm weather sports skills in cooler months due to lack of facilities in Cheyenne.</p>
<p>Monitor more closely for homeless people in tunnels areas. Clean out urine smell.</p>

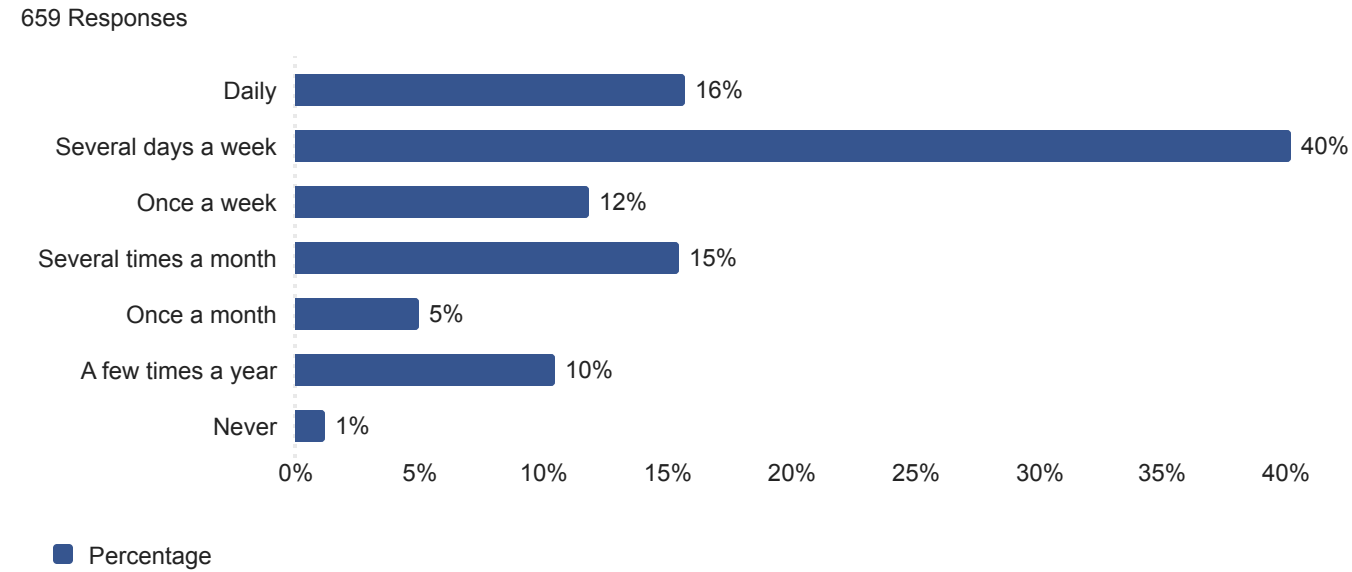
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<p>make the Greenway better connected through the heart of the city. Stop expanding until you can connect the interior. It's frustrating that we can't use it because it's unsafe to connect to it. Also, provide options for kids that are not sports. Allow the community options to reserve space in smaller parks for a fee.</p>	<p>Facilities staff should help support youth sports even if not city programs as we contribute to the financial aspect of facilities. The city staff should work hand in hand with private clubs to better support children in sports</p>	<p>Adequate swimming options that are free for the public. So many kids can't afford to go frequently during the summer. Which is becoming more important given our hotter summers.</p>	<p>"I love the idea of new trails in the community.</p>
<p>Replace neighborhood facility that was located on South Cheyenne with a new neighborhood facility in South Cheyenne.</p>	<p>More ice related places. More hills kids can sled down..... summer is nice. But winter is here more.</p>	<p>Cheyenne has a very small window of really good summer and fall weather. The use of indoor facilities it's extremely important for all members of the community for both physical and mental health. Youth travel softball, baseball and soccer programs tend to ramp up in February and March and teams don't have a place for indoor or outdoor practices let alone early spring games. Full artificial grass/turf indoor and outdoor complexes would be a great investment into the community. It would also promote games and tournaments, especially indoor, which will create economic impact investment and funding to the community.</p>	<p>By and large, I think the Parks are Rec Division does a terrific job with both amenities and opportunities.</p> <p>I appreciate the new lights at the CJL fields. As someone who attends a lot of travel baseball in other communities I'm saddened to say our baseball facilities rank far, far below any others we see in the region. The lights were a nice touch. The scoreboards seemed like a poor choice simply because most teams use cloud-based scoring. The fields themselves need a re-design. I would love to see some time put into the baseball field at Lions Park. It has such potential and great character. "</p>
<p>I would love to see dirt trails. It's great for runners to be running on soft even surfaces. Even if it was just a mile dirt loop around lions parks that would be super beneficial to all runners.</p>	<p>Shouldn't have to leave Cheyenne for year round ice, I have to visit family 6 hours away to use the ice.</p>	<p>Spaces that are not dog friendly. No dogs allowed.</p>	<p>I just want more!!!! Again, I think Jason and his team are amazing and nothing in here should be construed otherwise.</p>
<p>More activities for youth!!</p>	<p>Bring back sloan lake for swimming it is needed for people to enjoy time with family and friends. It was always something we could do and didn't cost money to do it.</p> <p>I'm not sure if this is the appropriate place to comment on this, however, I'm not sure I will have the chance to say this. This comment is for the Cheyenne ice and events center. WE NEED TO KEEP THE ICE ON YEAR ROUND!!!! We are the capital city, so let's act like it and be a good example to the rest of the state. Casper has year round ice and has a great development program for their youth to succeed. Also, they are planning to construct another sheet of ice. Laramie is planning to construct another sheet of ice. Ft. Collins has 2 sheets of ice and keeps the ice year round!! Windsor has ice year round and a great development program for their youth. Greeley has ice year round!! When I bring this up to the manager at our ice rink, he balks and says it can't be done. I think that is a load of crap and a lazy poor excuse. We have families traveling to other cities to use their ice facilities due to the lack of opportunities in this city. This is embarrassing!!! An example of terrible management is during Thanksgiving break. He had open free skate for EIGHT HOURS on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday! There was not one stick and puck or drop in hockey for the youth during that time!! He pulled the ice out during spring break..... he could have had a bunch of drop ins or stick and puck sessions. I am beginning to think he hates kids. Please fire the manager of the rink or figure out a way to do better!! He is doing a terrible job!!!</p>	<p>City parks and rec team do a great job with what they have</p>	<p>The city's websites, for general information and recreation information are horrendous. Information is very difficult to find and often outdated/inaccurate. Numerous clicks and web page loads are required to find the smallest bit of information. These sites appear to be designed by social media or marketing experts like OpenCities. The goal of social media and marketing is to trap a potential user/consumer on the web page and prevent them from leaving. The City should purpose their website to disseminate as much accurate information as possible in the shortest amount of time. Instead of spending millions outsourcing your web page development, spend that money hiring local or recently graduated/intern web developers from LCCC/UW etc. or even temp workers to just keep data and information accurate.</p>
<p>It feels like we are massively underutilizing the facilities we have. Adding additional facilities and properties should probably be delayed until we see how effective the existing facilities can be with effective management. Using these facilities in an appropriate way would even provide more funds for later development.</p>	<p>Make sure shaded seating facilities are near playgrounds (pavilions, benches next to trees, etc.)</p>	<p>n/a</p>	<p>We shouldn't have turned away open space in Saddle Ridge. We talk the talk, but fail to walk the walk.</p>
<p>"Dotted lines on the greenway and signs to dictate what side of the trail people need to be on, especially with little kids and bikers on the same trail.</p>	<p>We need a year round ice skating rink!!!</p>	<p>It would be wonderful to have more amenities and recreation options for youth in our community.</p>	<p>You do an outstanding job, but there is an increasing need/desire for more outdoor recreation opportunities throughout the year.</p>
<p>Need an indoor track/recreation facility, it would get so much use by everyone in the city. "</p>	<p>Can we please have another sheet of ice inside an indoor rec center!?</p>	<p>Thank you for the work you do to support Cheyenne's parks and recreation areas !!</p>	<p>Lions Park is a designated "Important Bird Area" by the national Audubon Society. Shrubs (willows, undergrowth) are an important environment for many bird species. Both at Lions Park and at Dry Creek I've seen shrubs cut to the ground. The city needs to partner with local wildlife groups so that their staff can learn more about what bird species need in an environment. I also LOVE the fact that the grass is not mowed constantly at Dry Creek. It looks beautiful. Overall, I'm very happy with our parks and natural spaces. Thank you.</p>
<p>Open up the Botanic Gardens Conservatory on Sundays like it used to be. This screams that the public are not important to the City leaders and employees.</p>	<p>Stop expanding the Greenway and use those funds elsewhere. It is a waste of money!</p>	<p>Cut down on the signage. People have google maps and apple maps. A sign every 30' seems excessive. Everyone talks about getting one with nature and we have a sign telling us there is a "Y" in the road up ahead. I think people are smart enough to not get lost on a one way trail.</p>	<p>No comments</p>
<p>We are in desperate need of an indoor recreational facility to support all of our youth and adult programs, preferably one that includes a competitive level indoor track to host indoor track meets, bringing money into our community and supporting the 200 local participants in high school indoor track. We are the only large community in Wyoming without one. The Campbell County rec center is the perfect example of a rec center that is utilized by all ages and programs! Thank you for this whole survey!</p>	<p>I really love the greenway! However, please fix the Yellowstone underpass to prevent constant flooding messes every summer. An outdoor track would also be widely used in the community as there are still a lack of safe, traffic-free place to run.</p>	<p>The airport parkway trail not ran by the city is a great length of sidewalk/ trail in a neighborhood that is frequently used by those neighbors. However I believe the airport does not take as good care of this area as city owned properties are (they removed trash cans from area, rarely plow the sidewalk in timely manner and do not take care of it as city employees do their areas) would love to see the city try and aquifer this area as they could provide an ample amount of care to the area that is very frequented by it neighbors in the area</p>	<p>Cheyenne is great!</p>
<p>There needs to be more recreational facilities to promote youth sports and exercise.</p>	<p>Better marketing and ease to find programs</p>		
<p>Please consider year round ice at the Ice and Event Center; as well as a second sheet. The hockey program has grown immensely. Many users of the ice all winter spend hundreds or thousands of dollars elsewhere in WY or in CO that Cheyenne could be receiving. I am sure the hockey board would be willing to discuss the reason this would be a great option for the City of Cheyenne to invest in as well as the profit the City makes during hockey compared to when there is no ice.</p>	<p>Mylar Park is in need of updated equipment</p>		
<p>Another sheet of ice for youth hockey would be a huge benefit and a indoor recreation facility with basketball, pickleball and other activities</p>	<p>I think our greenway system is great. I use it all the time to get around town on my bike and for exercise. There are still some areas that we need to get connected to the rest of the system. Downtown in particular should be more connected to the rest of our bike infrastructure. Yes there are bike lanes and routes, but Cheyenne drivers do not seem to be aware of cyclists or be concerned for their safety. We may need to give up some car ROW and re-dedicate it to alternate transportation methods. I know many residents who do not use bikes for transportation because they do not feel safe on the roads. Non-motorized corridors would be an amazing addition.</p>		
<p>We must consider additional indoor recreation facilities for hockey this sport had tripled in kids in the the last 5 years.</p>	<p>It would be great to have a safe trail system for pedestrians and cyclists that connects all the parks without having to be concerned about cars.</p>		
<p>Usually the places like pool and ice center are poorly ran. The sports teams are forces to have game very late or extremely early because "this is for ice skating not hockey" is what the main manager Jeff tells us. Swimming pool is mediocre at best. Take a look at Gillette or rock springs!</p>			
<p>The south side lacks a larger park, compared to those north of the tracks. As usual the city of Cheyenne thinks people south of Tracks don't deserve these things. We tend to get the scraps and what's left over that nobody else wants.</p>			



# Cheyenne Survey Summary - Raw Results

## Q1 - How often do you visit Cheyenne's parks or recreation facilities?

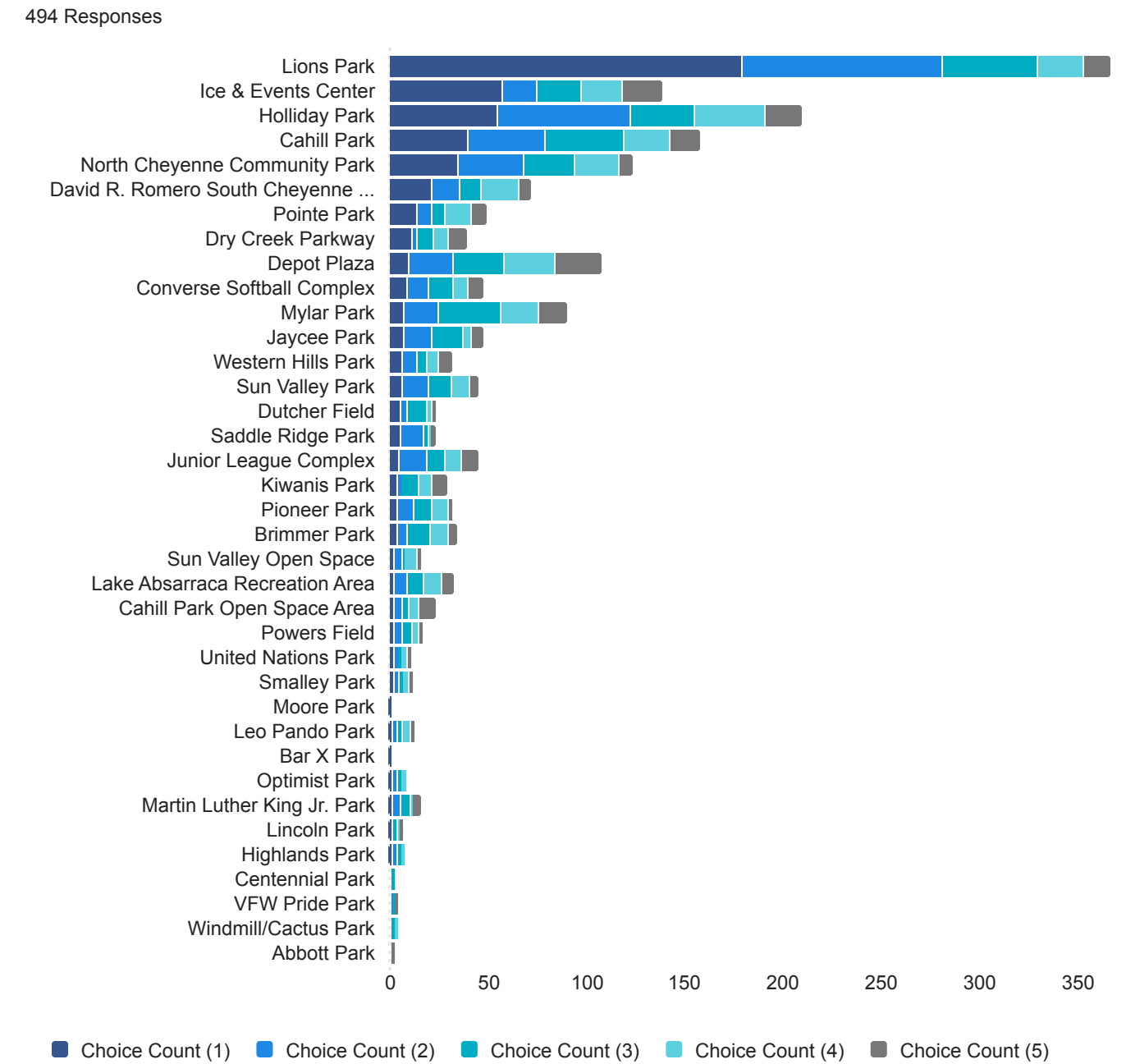


## Q1 - How often do you visit Cheyenne's parks or recreation facilities?

659 Responses

Field	Choice Count
Daily	16% 104
Several days a week	40% 265
Once a week	12% 78
Several times a month	15% 102
Once a month	5% 33
A few times a year	10% 69
Never	1% 8
Total	659

## Q2 - Which of Cheyenne's parks, trails, and recreation facilities do you frequent most often? Select top five



## Q2 - Which of Cheyenne's park, trails, and recreation facilities do you frequent...

494 Responses

Field	Choice Count (1)	Choice Count (2)	Choice Count (3)	Choice Count (4)	Choice Count (5)	Total
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## Appendix B.1 | ONLINE SURVEY RAW RESULTS

David R. Romero South Cheyenne Community Park	29%	21	19%	14	15%	11	26%	19	10%	7	72
Holliday Park	26%	54	32%	68	16%	33	17%	36	9%	19	210
Lions Park	49%	179	28%	102	13%	48	7%	24	4%	14	367
North Cheyenne Community Park	27%	34	27%	34	21%	26	18%	22	6%	8	124
Highlands Park	17%	1	33%	2	33%	2	17%	1	0%	0	6
Jaycee Park	15%	7	29%	14	33%	16	8%	4	15%	7	48
Lincoln Park	14%	1	0%	0	29%	2	14%	1	43%	3	7
Martin Luther King Jr. Park	6%	1	25%	4	31%	5	6%	1	31%	5	16
Mylar Park	8%	7	19%	17	36%	32	21%	19	17%	15	90
Optimist Park	13%	1	25%	2	25%	2	38%	3	0%	0	8
Pointe Park	27%	13	16%	8	14%	7	27%	13	16%	8	49
Saddle Ridge Park	22%	5	52%	12	9%	2	4%	1	13%	3	23
Smalley Park	18%	2	18%	2	18%	2	27%	3	18%	2	11
Sun Valley Park	13%	6	29%	13	27%	12	20%	9	11%	5	45
United Nations Park	22%	2	11%	1	22%	2	33%	3	11%	1	9
Abbott Park	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	100%	1	1
Bar X Park	100%	1	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	1
Depot Plaza	8%	9	21%	23	24%	26	24%	26	22%	24	108
Leo Pando Park	9%	1	18%	2	27%	3	36%	4	9%	1	11
Moore Park	100%	1	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	0	1
Western Hills Park	19%	6	22%	7	16%	5	19%	6	25%	8	32
Windmill/Cactus Park	0%	0	0%	0	50%	2	50%	2	0%	0	4
Brimmer Park	9%	3	15%	5	35%	12	26%	9	15%	5	34
Converse Softball Complex	17%	8	23%	11	27%	13	15%	7	19%	9	48
Dutcher Field	22%	5	13%	3	43%	10	13%	3	9%	2	23
Ice & Events Center	41%	57	12%	17	17%	23	15%	21	15%	21	139
Junior League Complex	9%	4	31%	14	22%	10	18%	8	20%	9	45
Pioneer Park	9%	3	28%	9	28%	9	25%	8	9%	3	32
Powers Field	13%	2	27%	4	33%	5	20%	3	7%	1	15
VFW Pride Park	0%	0	25%	1	25%	1	0%	0	50%	2	4
Cahill Park Open Space Area	9%	2	17%	4	13%	3	22%	5	39%	9	23
Centennial Park	0%	0	0%	0	100%	1	0%	0	0%	0	1
Dry Creek Parkway	28%	11	5%	2	23%	9	18%	7	26%	10	39
Kiwanis Park	10%	3	7%	2	31%	9	24%	7	28%	8	29
Lake Absaraca Recreation Area	6%	2	18%	6	27%	9	27%	9	21%	7	33
Sun Valley Open Space	13%	2	27%	4	7%	1	40%	6	13%	2	15

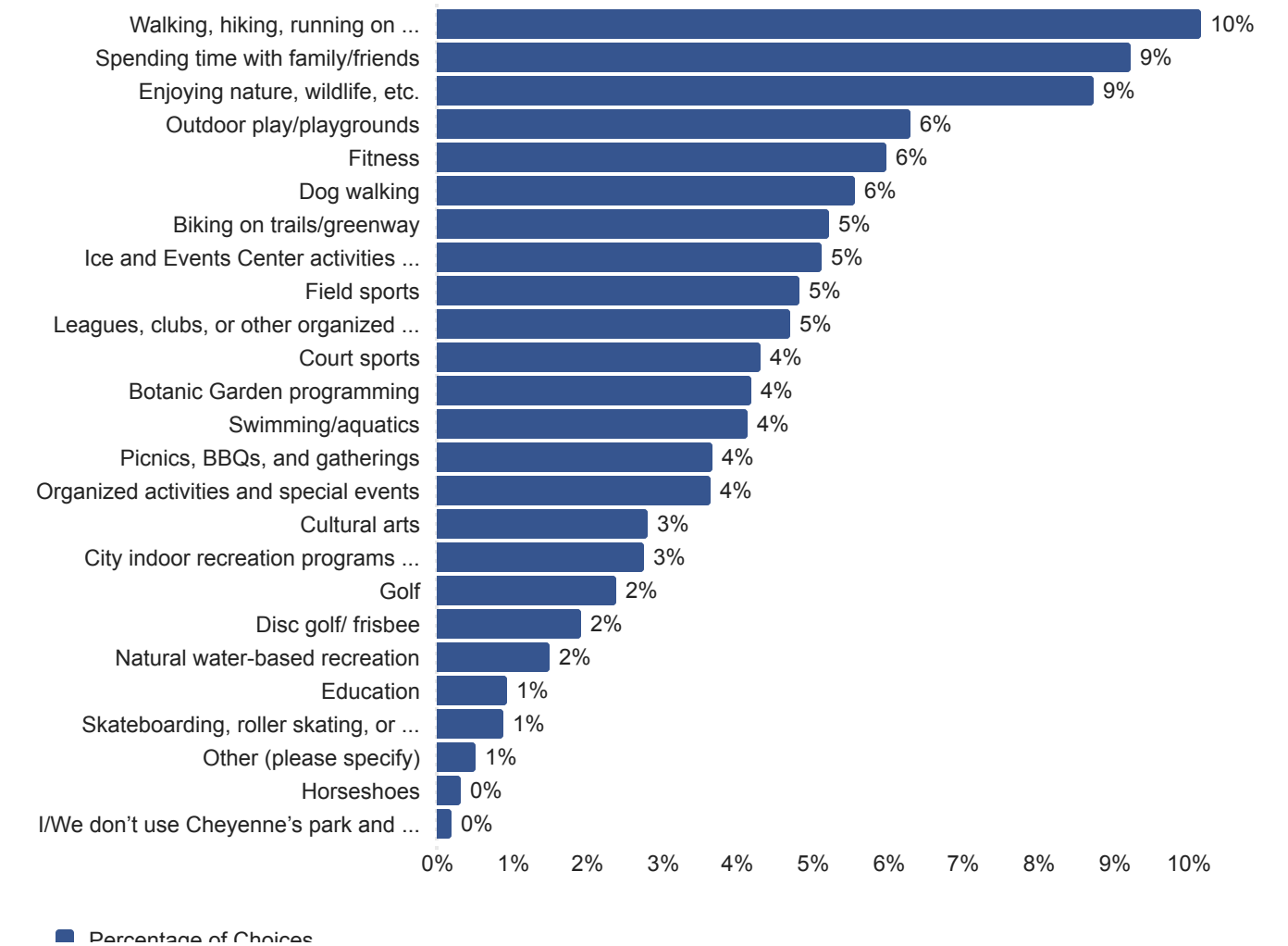
### Q4 - Why do you choose to visit these places?

456 Responses



### Q5 - What are the most common ways you or someone in your household uses Cheyenne's park and recreation system? (Select all that apply) - Selected Choice

511 Responses



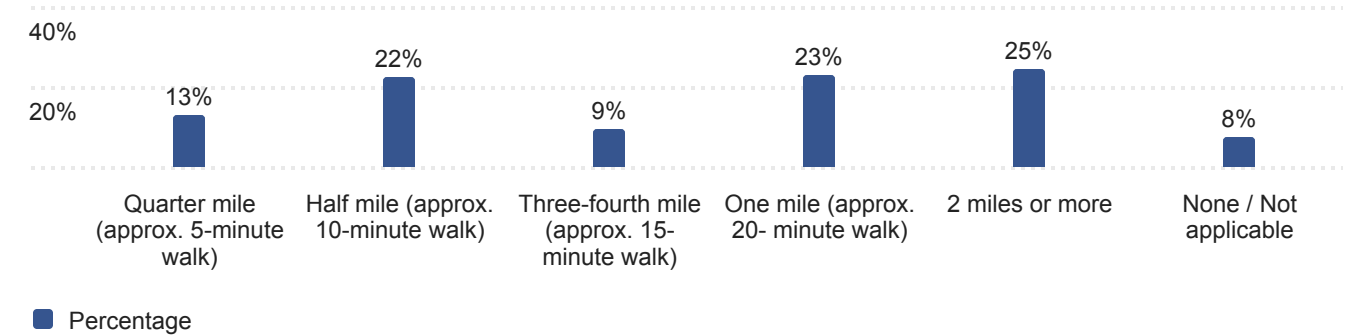
**Q5 - What are the most common ways you or someone in your household uses Cheyenne’s park and recreation system? (Select all that apply) - Selected Choice**

511 Responses

Field	Choice Count
Walking, hiking, running on trails/greenway	62% 318
Spending time with family/friends	57% 289
Enjoying nature, wildlife, etc.	53% 273
Outdoor play/playgrounds	39% 197
Fitness	37% 187
Dog walking	34% 174
Biking on trails/greenway	32% 163
Ice and Events Center activities (hockey, ice skating, mini-golf)	31% 160
Field sports (baseball, soccer, softball, lacrosse)	30% 151
Leagues, clubs, or other organized group activities	29% 147
Court sports (basketball, tennis, pickleball, volleyball)	26% 135
Botanic Garden programming	26% 131
Swimming/aquatics	25% 129
Picnics, BBQs, and gatherings	23% 115
Organized activities and special events	22% 114
Cultural arts (theater, concerts, public art, etc.)	17% 88
City indoor recreation programs participation	17% 86
Golf	15% 75
Disc golf/ frisbee	12% 60
Natural water-based recreation (kayaking, fishing, etc.)	9% 47
Education	6% 29
Skateboarding, roller skating, or scootering	5% 28
Other (please specify)	3% 16
Horseshoes	2% 10
I/We don't use Cheyenne's park and system	1% 6
Total	511

**Q7 - What is the maximum distance that you are willing to walk or bike to a park, playground, greenway/trail, or recreation facility?**

489 Responses



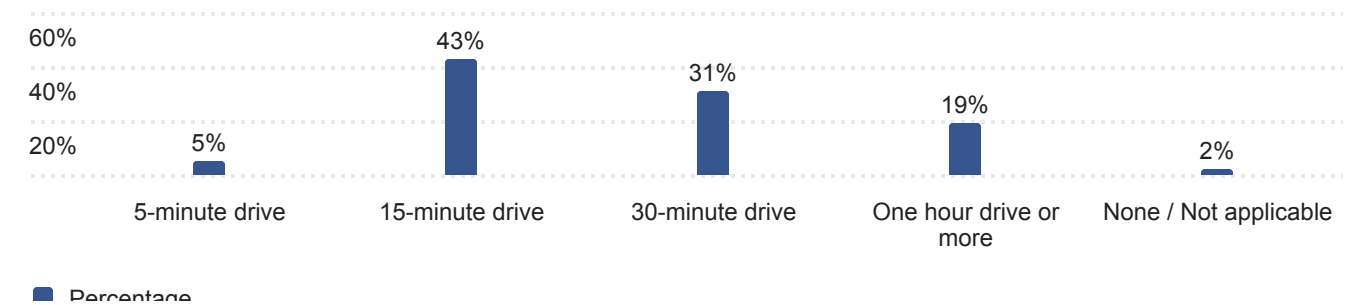
**Q7 - What is the maximum distance that you are willing to walk or bike to a park, playground, greenway/trail, or recreation facility?**

489 Responses

Field	Choice Count
Quarter mile (approx. 5-minute walk)	13% 63
Half mile (approx. 10-minute walk)	22% 110
Three-fourth mile (approx. 15-minute walk)	9% 46
One mile (approx. 20-minute walk)	23% 112
2 miles or more	25% 121
None / Not applicable	8% 37
Total	489

**Q8 - What is the maximum distance you are willing to drive to a large regional park, community event, community center, or competitive recreation sports field or court?**

495 Responses





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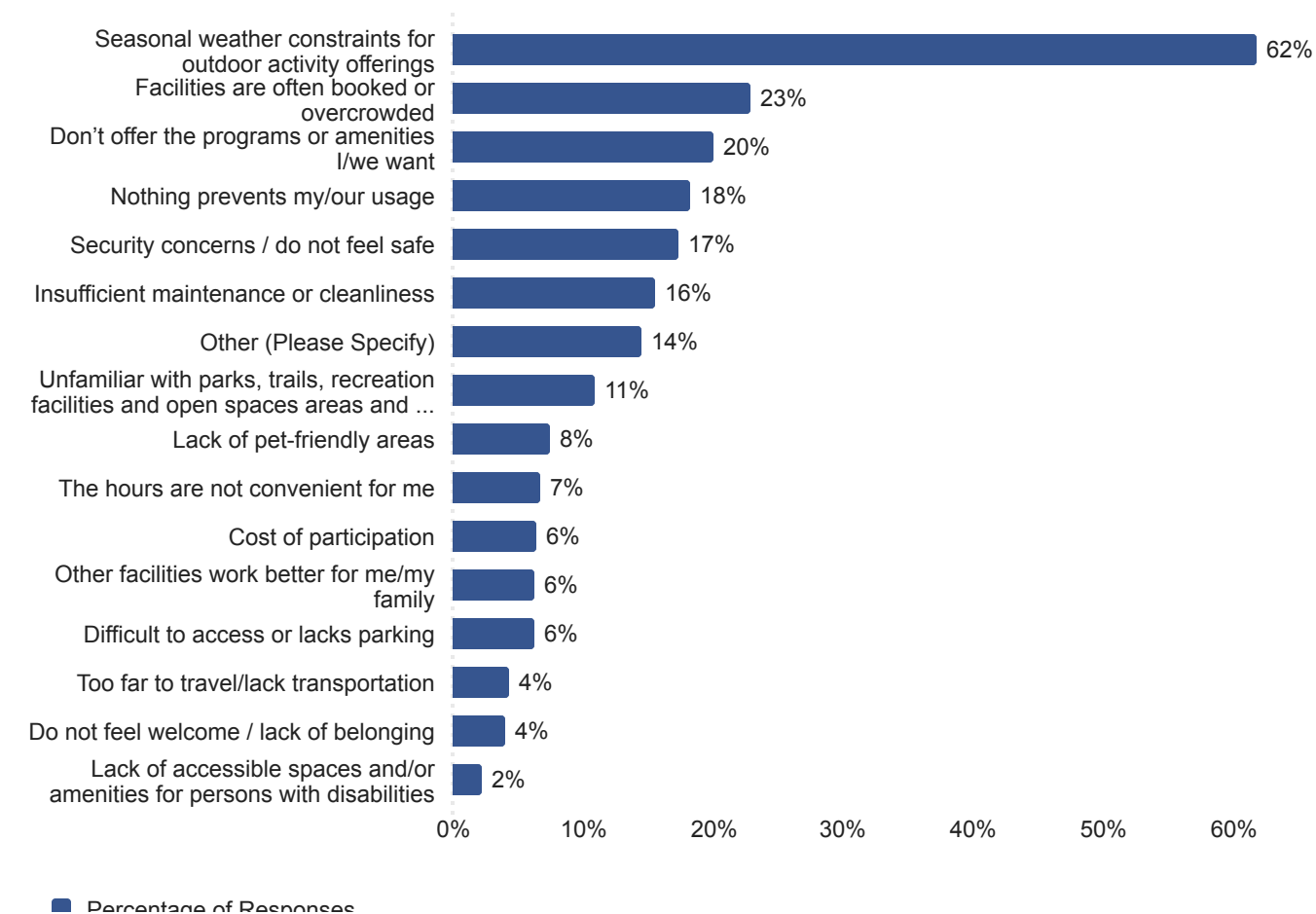
**Q8 - What is the maximum distance you are willing to drive to a large regional park, community event, community center, or competitive recreation sports field or court?**

495 Responses

Field	Choice Count
5-minute drive	5% 24
15-minute drive	43% 211
30-minute drive	31% 153
One hour drive or more	19% 95
None / Not applicable	2% 12
Total	495

**Q9 - What reasons, if any, that have prevented you or other household members from using Cheyenne's recreation facilities, programs, parks, trails, or natural areas? (Select all that apply)**

477 Responses



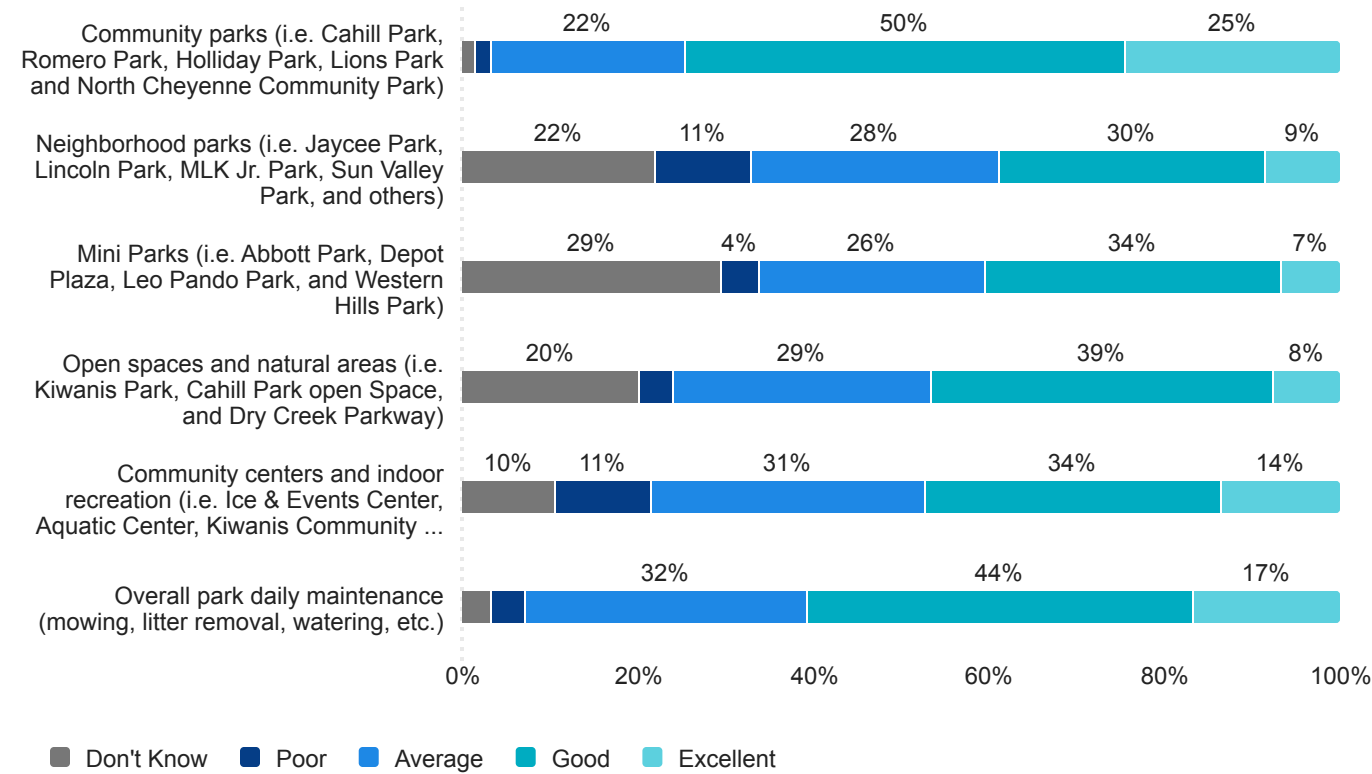
**Q9 - What reasons, if any, that have prevented you or other household members from using Cheyenne's recreation facilities, programs, parks, trails, or natural areas? (Select all that apply)**

477 Responses

Field	Choice Count
Seasonal weather constraints for outdoor activity offerings	62% 295
Facilities are often booked or overcrowded	23% 109
Don't offer the programs or amenities I/we want	20% 96
Nothing prevents my/our usage	18% 87
Security concerns / do not feel safe	17% 83
Insufficient maintenance or cleanliness	16% 74
Other (Please Specify)	14% 69
Unfamiliar with parks, trails, recreation facilities and open spaces areas and locations	11% 52
Lack of pet-friendly areas	8% 36
The hours are not convenient for me	7% 32
Cost of participation	6% 31
Other facilities work better for me/my family	6% 30
Difficult to access or lacks parking	6% 30
Too far to travel/lack transportation	4% 21
Do not feel welcome / lack of belonging	4% 19
Lack of accessible spaces and/or amenities for persons with disabilities	2% 11
Total	477

Q10 - Please rate the existing condition of the following types of properties maintained by the city.

447 Responses



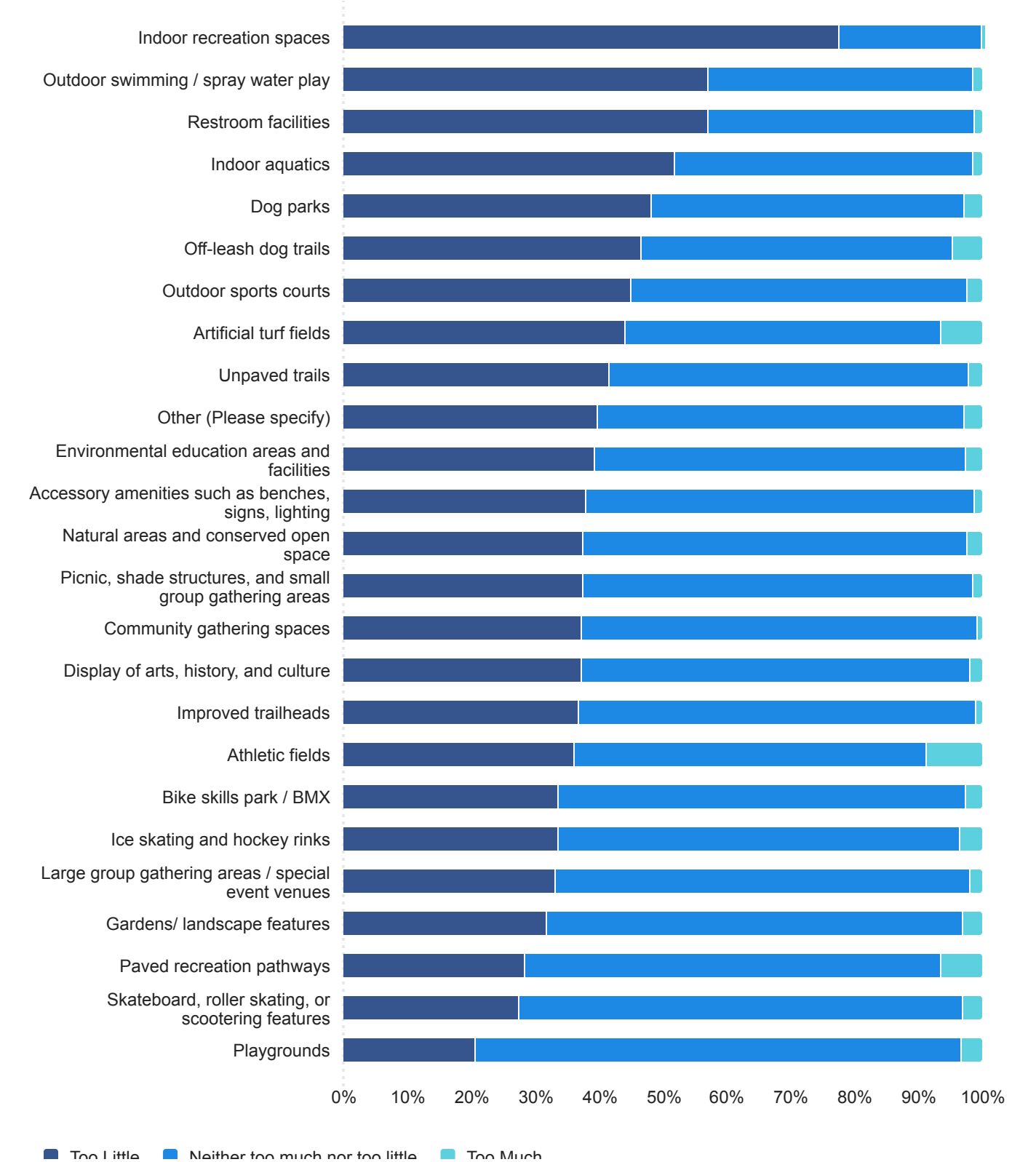
Q10 - Please rate the existing condition of the following types of properties maintained by the city.

447 Responses

Field	Min	Max	Mean	Standard Deviation	Variance	Responses	Sum
Community parks (i.e. Cahill Park, Romero Park, Holiday Park, Lions Park and North Cheyenne Community Park)	1	5	4	1	1	437	1726
Neighborhood parks (i.e. Jaycee Park, Lincoln Park, MLK Jr. Park, Sun Valley Park, and others)	1	5	3	1	2	424	1242
Mini Parks (i.e. Abbott Park, Depot Plaza, Leo Pando Park, and Western Hills Park)	1	5	3	1	2	408	1159
Open spaces and natural areas (i.e. Kiwanis Park, Cahill Park open Space, and Dry Creek Parkway)	1	5	3	1	2	411	1277
Community centers and indoor recreation (i.e. Ice & Events Center, Aquatic Center, Kiwanis Community Center, and others)	1	5	3	1	1	420	1382
Overall park daily maintenance (mowing, litter removal, watering, etc.)	1	5	4	1	1	412	1514

Q12 - For each type of facility, please indicate if there is too much, too little or the right amount of the types of programs.

441 Responses



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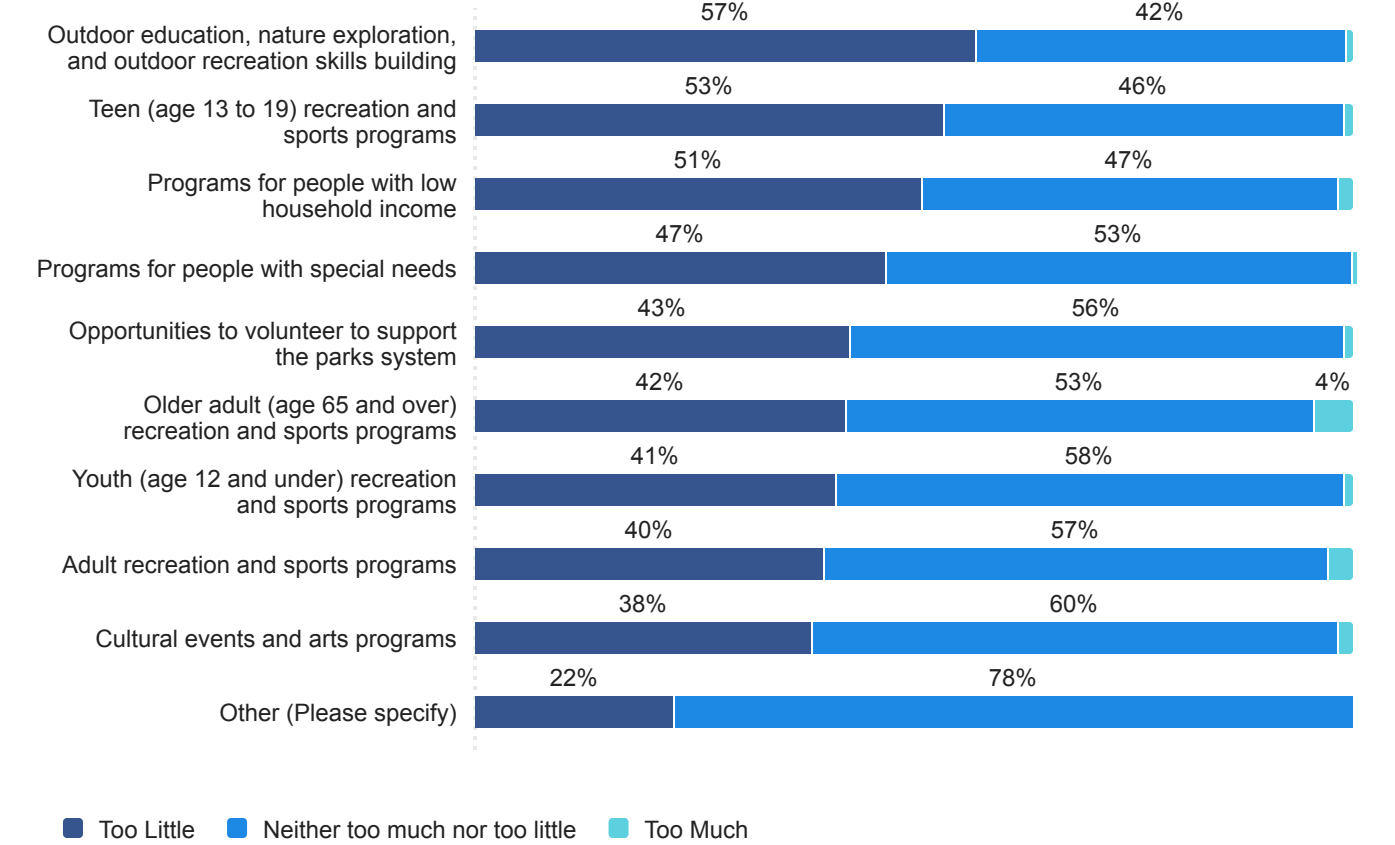
**Q12 - For each type of facility, please indicate if there is too much, too little or the right amount of the types of programs.**

441 Responses

Field	Min	Max	Mean	Standard Deviation	Variance	Responses	Sum
Natural areas and conserved open space	1	3	2	1	0	418	690
Gardens/ landscape features	1	3	2	1	0	419	718
Environmental education areas and facilities	1	3	2	1	0	414	677
Playgrounds	1	3	2	0	0	418	764
Athletic fields (soccer, football, softball, baseball, etc.)	1	3	2	1	0	415	718
Outdoor sports courts (tennis, pickleball, basketball, etc.)	1	3	2	1	0	420	663
Artificial turf fields	1	3	2	1	0	400	650
Indoor aquatics	1	3	2	1	0	412	618
Outdoor swimming / spray water play	1	3	1	1	0	412	596
Indoor recreation spaces	1	3	1	0	0	414	508
Community gathering spaces	1	3	2	1	0	403	660
Ice skating and hockey rinks	1	3	2	1	0	410	698
Skateboard, roller skating, or scootering features	1	3	2	0	0	398	700
Bike skills park / BMX	1	3	2	1	0	395	669
Dog parks	1	3	2	1	0	400	620
Off-leash dog trails	1	3	2	1	0	395	625
Paved recreation pathways	1	3	2	1	0	404	721
Unpaved trails	1	3	2	1	0	393	632
Improved trailheads	1	3	2	1	0	386	634
Restroom facilities (includes indoor w/ plumbing and portable facilities)	1	3	1	1	0	413	597
Picnic, shade structures, and small group gathering areas	1	3	2	1	0	410	674
Large group gathering areas / special event venues (event plaza, pavilion, lawn, amphitheater)	1	3	2	1	0	405	684
Display of arts, history, and culture	1	3	2	1	0	402	663
Accessory amenities such as benches, signs, lighting, etc.	1	3	2	1	0	410	671
Other (Please specify)	1	3	2	1	0	68	111

**Q13 - For each type of facility, please indicate if there is too much, too little, or the right amount to serve the community.**

418 Responses



**Q13 - For each type of facility, please indicate if there is too much, too little, or the right amount to serve the community.**

418 Responses

Field	Min	Max	Mean	Standard Deviation	Variance	Responses	Sum
Youth (age 12 and under) recreation and sports programs	1	3	2	1	0	388	621
Teen (age 13 to 19) recreation and sports programs	1	3	1	1	0	381	563
Adult recreation and sports programs	1	3	2	1	0	392	641
Older adult (age 65 and over) recreation and sports programs	1	3	2	1	0	379	615
Programs for people with special needs (support all abilities and developmental needs)	1	3	2	1	0	351	539
Programs for people with low household income	1	3	2	1	0	364	550
Cultural events and arts programs	1	3	2	1	0	368	602

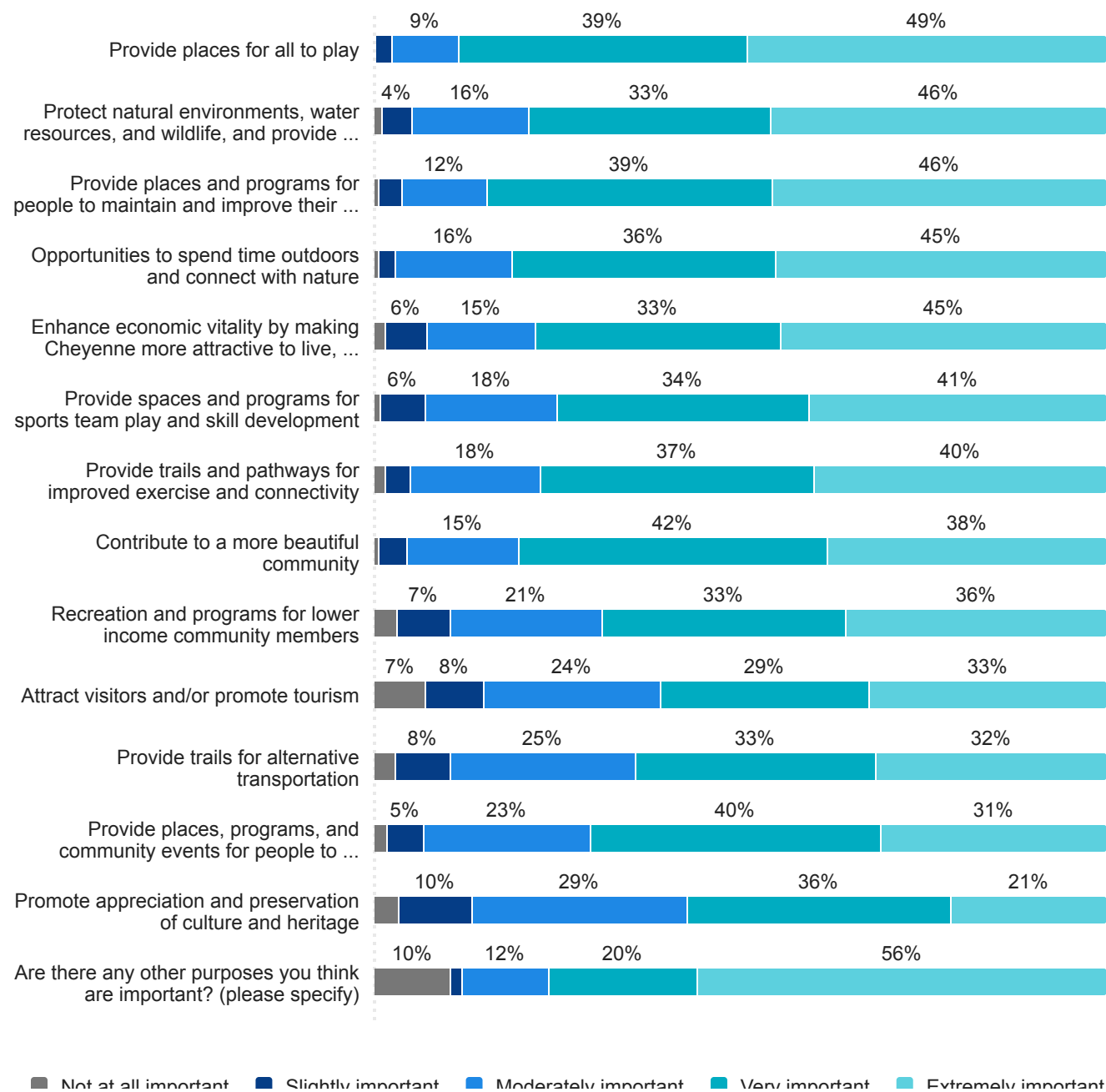


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Outdoor education, nature exploration, and outdoor recreation skills building	1	3	1	1	0	373	537
Opportunities to volunteer to support the parks system	1	3	2	1	0	360	571
Other (Please specify)	1	2	2	0	0	89	158

### Q14 - Communities provide parks, recreational amenities, trails, and open spaces for a variety of reasons. Please rate how important you think each of these purposes is for Cheyenne.

421 Responses



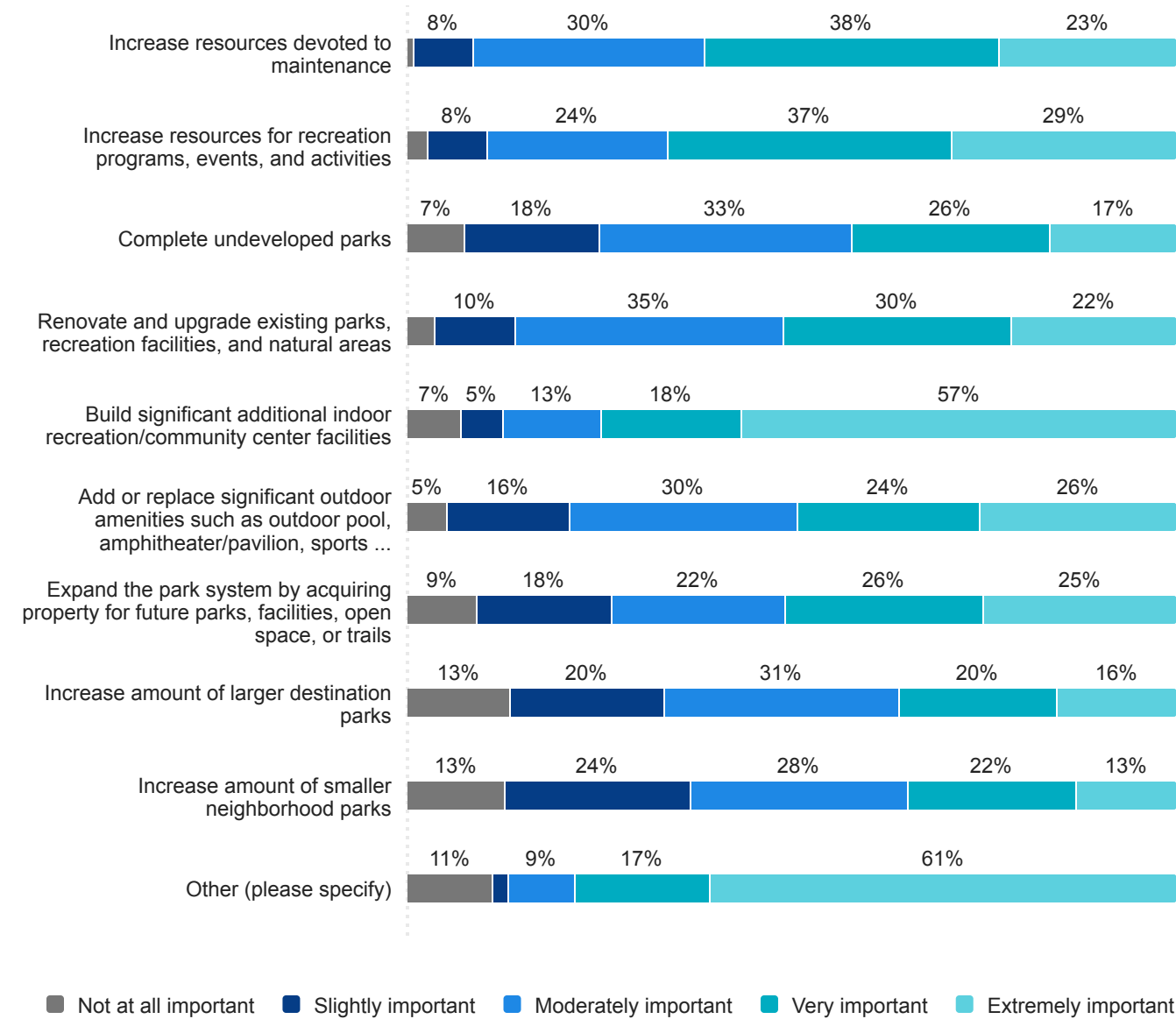
### Q14 - Communities provide parks, recreational amenities, trails, and open spaces for a variety of reasons. Please rate how important you think each of these purposes is for Cheyenne.

421 Responses

Field	Not at all important	Slightly important	Moderately important	Very important	Extremely important
Contribute to a more beautiful community	2% 2	6% 16	6% 63	9% 174	7% 158
Enhance economic vitality by making Cheyenne more attractive to live, work, and do business	6% 6	8% 23	6% 62	7% 139	9% 185
Provide places and programs for people to maintain and improve their health and fitness	2% 2	5% 13	5% 48	8% 162	9% 190
Provide places for all to play	0% 0	3% 9	4% 38	8% 163	10% 204
Provide places, programs, and community events for people to socialize and experience arts and culture	7% 7	7% 20	9% 95	8% 164	6% 128
Opportunities to spend time outdoors and connect with nature	2% 2	3% 9	7% 66	8% 149	9% 187
Recreation and programs for lower income community members	12% 12	11% 30	8% 85	7% 136	7% 146
Provide spaces and programs for sports team play and skill development	3% 3	9% 25	7% 75	7% 142	8% 169
Promote appreciation and preservation of culture and heritage	13% 13	15% 41	12% 121	8% 148	4% 88
Attract visitors and/or promote tourism	27% 28	12% 33	10% 100	6% 118	6% 135
Provide trails and pathways for improved exercise and connectivity	6% 6	5% 14	7% 73	8% 154	8% 166
Protect natural environments, water resources, and wildlife, and provide environmental resiliency	4% 4	6% 17	6% 65	7% 136	9% 190
Provide trails for alternative transportation	11% 11	11% 31	10% 104	7% 134	6% 130
Are there any other purposes you think are important? (please specify)	6% 6	0% 1	1% 7	1% 12	2% 33
Total	102	282	1002	1931	2109

### Q15 - How important do you think it is for Cheyenne to invest in the following in the next ten years in response to community growth?

413 Responses



### Q15 - With a limited budget, and significant community desires, difficult decisio...

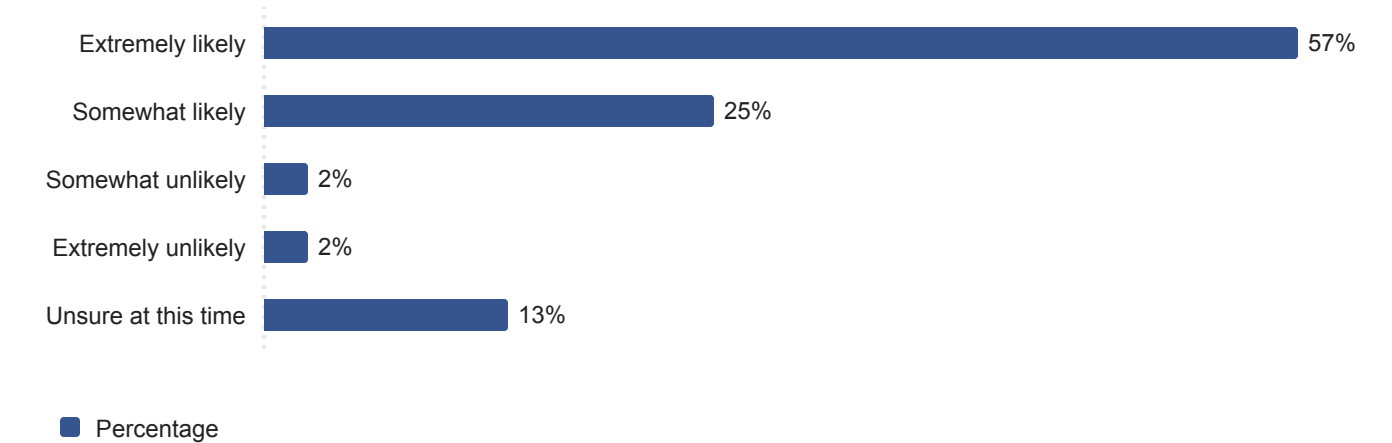
413 Responses

Field	Min	Max	Mean	Standard Deviation	Variance	Responses	Sum
Increase resources devoted to maintenance	1	5	4	1	1	401	1506
Increase resources for recreation programs, events, and	1	5	4	1	1	408	1562

Complete undeveloped parks	1	5	3	1	1	402	1314
Renovate and upgrade existing parks, recreation facilities, and natural areas	1	5	4	1	1	406	1444
Build significant additional indoor recreation/community center facilities	1	5	4	1	2	410	1692
Add or replace significant outdoor amenities such as outdoor pool, amphitheater/pavilion, sports fields/courts, etc.	1	5	3	1	1	405	1414
Expand the park system by acquiring property for future parks, facilities, open space, or trails	1	5	3	1	2	405	1381
Increase amount of larger destination parks	1	5	3	1	2	398	1216
Increase amount of smaller neighborhood parks	1	5	3	1	1	397	1186
Other (please specify)	1	5	4	1	2	46	191

### Q16 - How likely would you be willing to support additional funding and spending for parks and recreation improvements in the future?

411 Responses



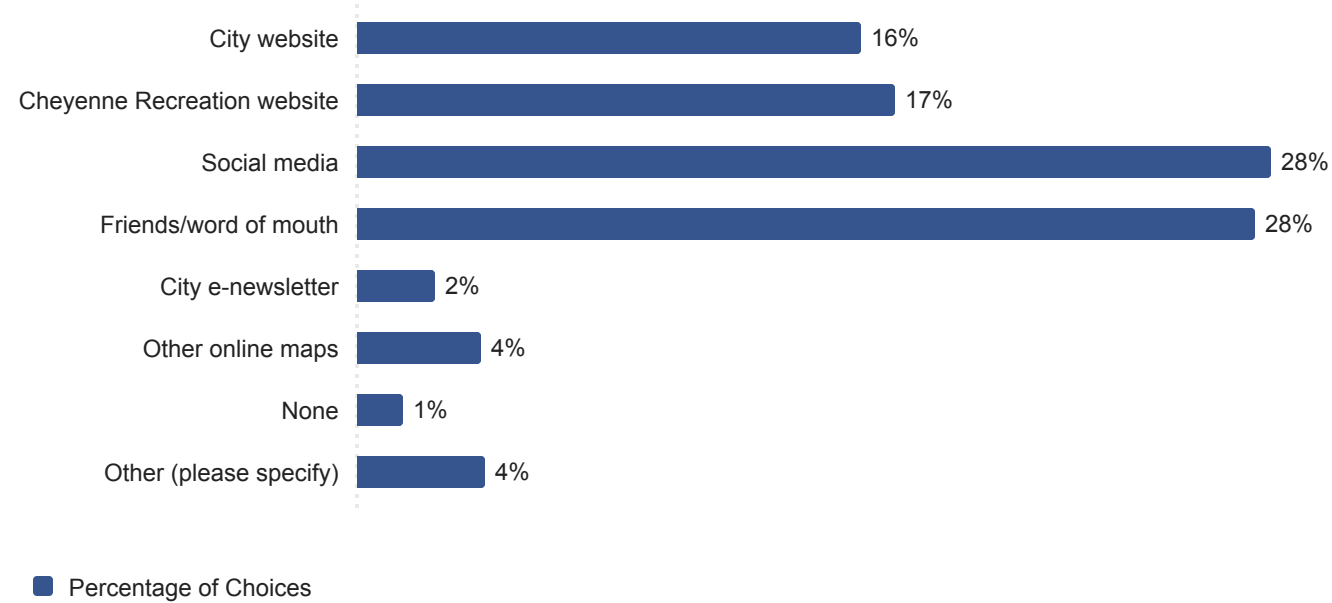
### Q16 - How likely would you be willing to support additional funding and spending for parks and recreation improvements in the future?

411 Responses

Field	Choice Count
Extremely likely	57% 234
Somewhat likely	25% 102
Unsure at this time	13% 55
Somewhat unlikely	2% 10
Extremely unlikely	2% 10
Total	411

Q17 - How do you find out information about the City’s recreation facilities, events, programs, parks, trails, or natural areas? (Select all that apply)

414 Responses



Q17 - How do you find out information about the City’s recreation facilities, events, programs, parks, trails, or natural areas? (Select all that apply)

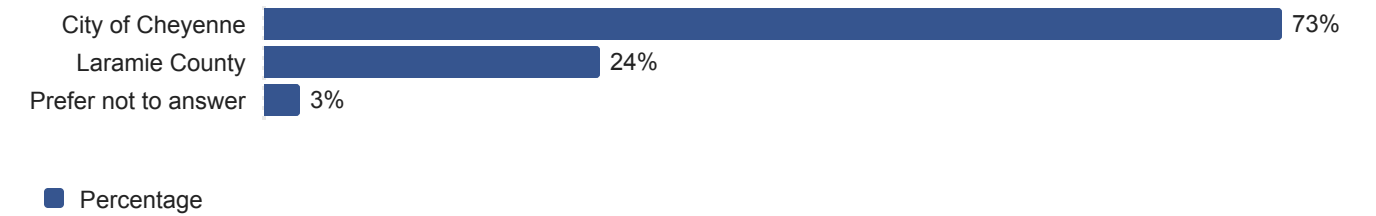
414 Responses

Field	Percentage	Choice Count
City website	16%	134
Cheyenne Recreation website	17%	143
Social media	28%	243
Friends/word of mouth	28%	239
City e-newsletter	2%	21
Other online maps	4%	33
None	1%	12
Other (please specify)	4%	34
Total		859

Demographic Questions

Q19 - Where do you live?

434 Responses



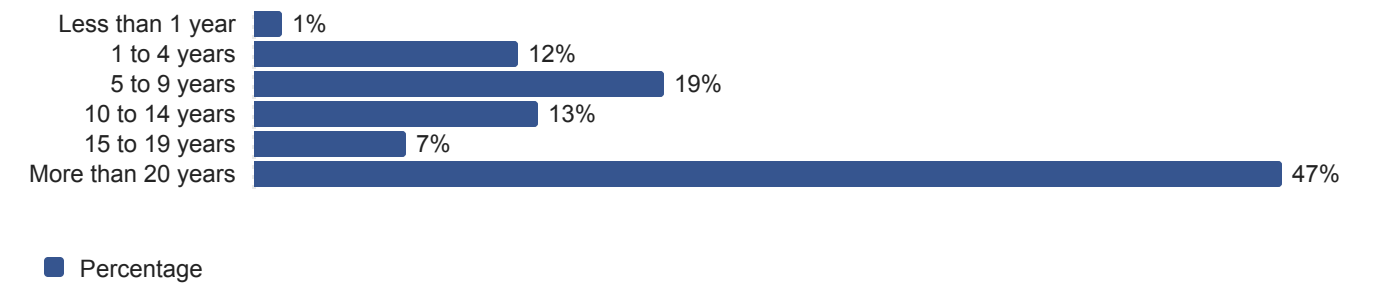
Q19 - Where do you live?

434 Responses

Field	Percentage	Choice Count
City of Cheyenne	73%	318
Laramie County	24%	105
Prefer not to answer	3%	11
Total		434

Q20 - How long have you lived in the City of Cheyene?

312 Responses



Q20 - How long have you lived in the City of Cheyene

312 Responses

Field	Percentage	Choice Count
Less than 1 year	1%	4
1 to 4 years	12%	38
5 to 9 years	19%	59
10 to 14 years	13%	41
15 to 19 years	7%	22
More than 20 years	47%	148
Total		312



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More than 20 years	47%	148
Total		312

### Q21 - What is your zip code? - City of Cheyene

305 Responses



■ Percentage

### Q21 - What is your zip code? - Selected Choice

305 Responses

Field	Choice Count
82001	50% 152
82005	0% 0
82007	9% 26
82009	41% 126
Other	0% 1
Total	305

### Q22 - Do any of the following live in your household? - City of Cheyene

303 Responses



■ Percentage of Choices

### Q22 - Do any of the following live in your household? (Select all that apply)

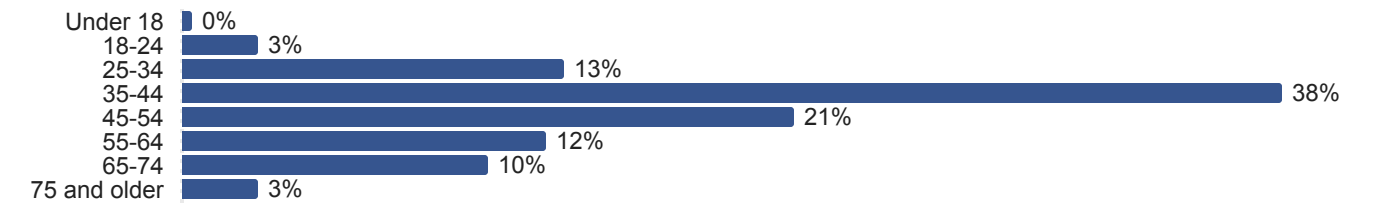
303 Responses

Field	Choice Count
Children (ages 12 and under)	20% 132

Teenagers (ages 13 to 19)	16%	107
Adults (ages 20 to 54)	29%	194
Adults (ages 55 or older)	13%	89
Dogs	22%	151
Total		673

### Q23 - Which best describes your age? - City of Cheyene

306 Responses



■ Percentage

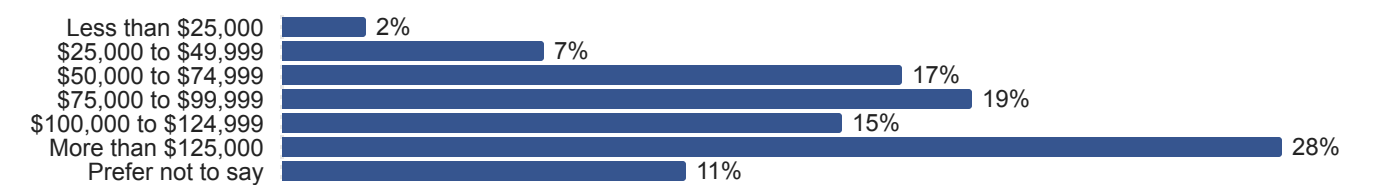
### Q23 - Which best describes your age?

306 Responses

Field	Choice Count
Under 18	0% 1
18-24	3% 8
25-34	13% 40
35-44	38% 115
45-54	21% 64
55-64	12% 38
65-74	10% 32
75 and older	3% 8
Total	306

### Q24 - Please describe your annual household income - City of Cheyene

304 Responses



■ Percentage

### Q24 - Please describe your annual household income

304 Responses

Field	Choice Count
Less than \$25,000	2% 7
\$25,000 to \$49,999	7% 22
\$50,000 to \$74,999	17% 52
\$75,000 to \$99,999	19% 58
\$100,000 to \$124,999	15% 47
More than \$125,000	28% 84
Prefer not to say	11% 34
Total	304

### Q25 - Which race or ethnicity do you most identify with? Please check all that apply. - City of Cheyenne

304 Responses



Percentage of Choices

### Q25 - Which race or ethnicity do you most identify with? Please check all that apply. - Selected Choice

304 Responses

Field	Percentage of Choices
American Indian or Alaskan native	2%
Asian or Pacific Islander	1%
Black or African American	2%
Hispanic/Latino/Spanish	7%
White/Caucasian	75%
Other (please specify)	3%
Prefer not to say	8%

### Q20 - How long have you lived in Laramie County

100 Responses



Percentage

### Q20 - How long have you lived in Laramie County

100 Responses

Field	Choice Count
Less than 1 year	1% 1
1 to 4 years	8% 8
5 to 9 years	12% 12
10 to 14 years	13% 13
15 to 19 years	12% 12
More than 20 years	54% 54
Total	100

### Q21 - What is your zip code? - Laramie County

96 Responses



Percentage

### Q21 - What is your zip code? - Selected Choice

96 Responses

Field	Choice Count
82001	1% 1

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82007	16%	15
82009	75%	72
Other	8%	8
Total		96

### Q22 - Do any of the following live in your household? - Laramie County

97 Responses



■ Percentage of Choices

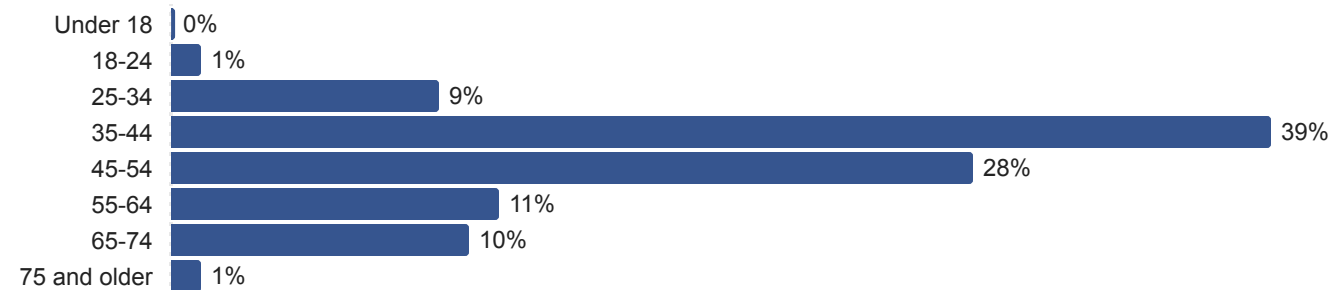
### Q22 - Do any of the following live in your household? (Select all that apply)

97 Responses

Field	Choice Count
Children (ages 12 and under)	19% 49
Teenagers (ages 13 to 19)	17% 43
Adults (ages 20 to 54)	26% 67
Adults (ages 55 or older)	13% 32
Dogs	25% 64
Total	255

### Q23 - Which best describes your age? - Laramie County

96 Responses



■ Percentage

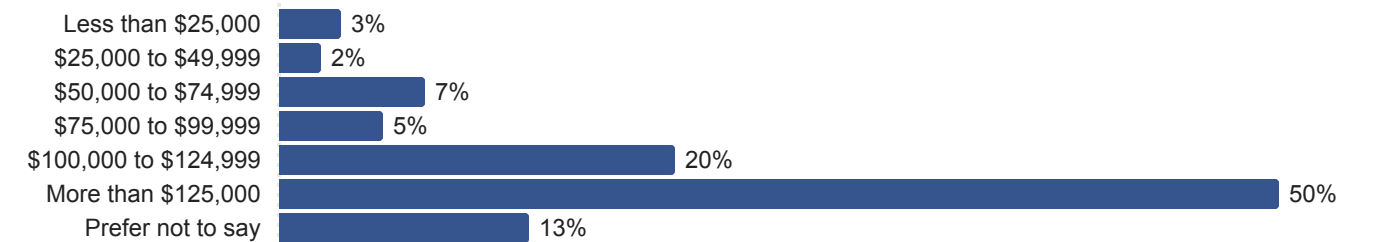
### Q23 - Which best describes your age?

96 Responses

Field	Choice Count
Under 18	0% 0
18-24	1% 1
25-34	9% 9
35-44	39% 37
45-54	28% 27
55-64	11% 11
65-74	10% 10
75 and older	1% 1
Total	96

### Q24 - Please describe your annual household income - Laramie County

96 Responses



■ Percentage

### Q24 - Please describe your annual household income

96 Responses

Field	Choice Count
Less than \$25,000	3% 3
\$25,000 to \$49,999	2% 2
\$50,000 to \$74,999	7% 7
\$75,000 to \$99,999	5% 5
\$100,000 to \$124,999	20% 19
More than \$125,000	50% 48
Prefer not to say	13% 12
Total	96



Q25 - Which race or ethnicity do you most identify with? Please check all that apply. - Laramie County

96 Responses



■ Percentage of Choices

Q25 - Which race or ethnicity do you most identify with? Please check all that apply. - Selected Choice

96 Responses

Field	Choice Count
American Indian or Alaskan native	1% 1
Asian or Pacific Islander	4% 4
Black or African American	1% 1
Hispanic/Latino/Spanish	3% 3
White/Caucasian	80% 82
Other (please specify)	2% 2
Prefer not to say	10% 10
Total	103

Q20 - Do any of the following live in your household? - Prefer not to answer

8 Responses



■ Percentage of Choices

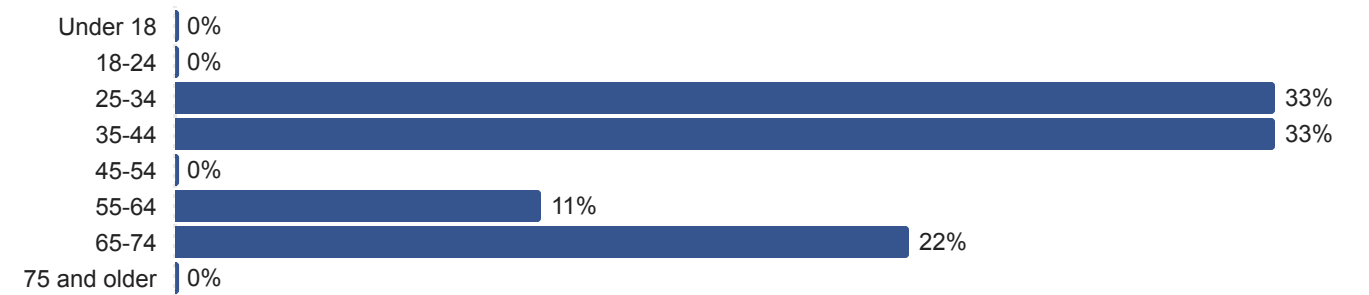
Q20 - Do any of the following live in your household? (Select all that apply)

8 Responses

Field	Choice Count
Children (ages 12 and under)	27% 4
Teenagers (ages 13 to 19)	27% 4
Adults (ages 20 to 54)	20% 3
Adults (ages 55 or older)	13% 2
Dogs	13% 2
Total	15

Q21 - Which best describes your age? - Prefer not to answer

9 Responses



■ Percentage

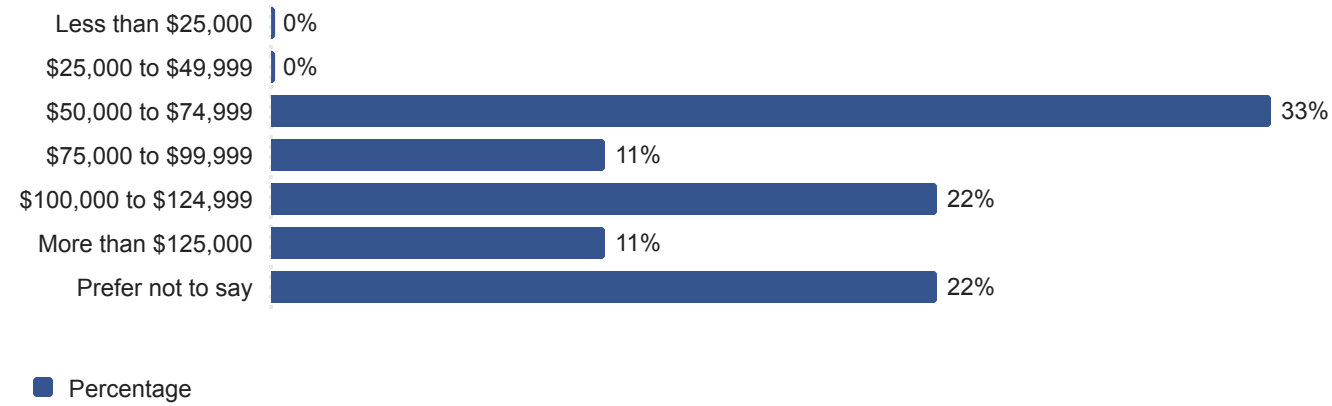
Q21 - Which best describes your age?

9 Responses

Field	Choice Count
Under 18	0% 0
18-24	0% 0
25-34	33% 3
35-44	33% 3
45-54	0% 0
55-64	11% 1
65-74	22% 2
75 and older	0% 0
Total	9

Q22 - Please describe your annual household income - Prefer not to answer

9 Responses



Q23 - Which race or ethnicity do you most identify with? Please check all that apply. - Selected Choice

9 Responses

Field	Choice Count
American Indian or Alaskan native	11% 1
Asian or Pacific Islander	0% 0
Black or African American	0% 0
Hispanic/Latino/Spanish	11% 1
White/Caucasian	67% 6
Other (please specify)	0% 0
Prefer not to say	11% 1
Total	9

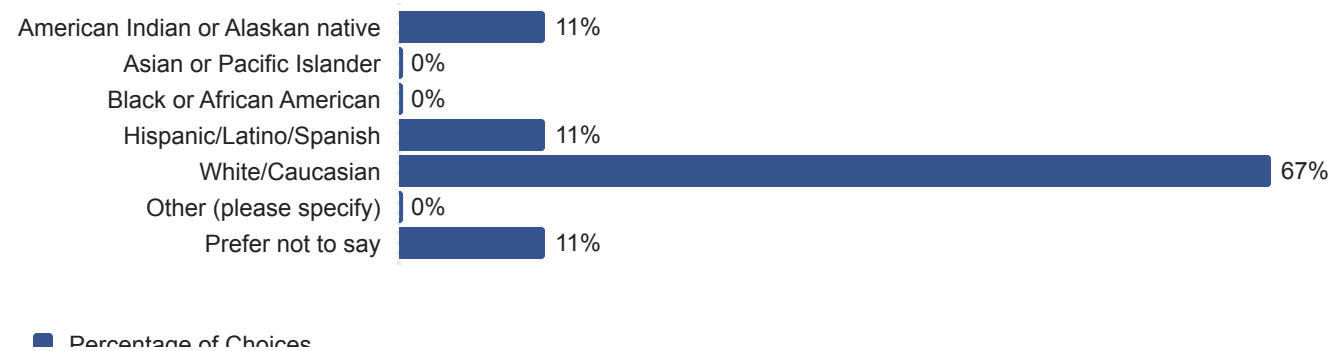
Q22 - Please describe your annual household income

9 Responses

Field	Choice Count
Less than \$25,000	0% 0
\$25,000 to \$49,999	0% 0
\$50,000 to \$74,999	33% 3
\$75,000 to \$99,999	11% 1
\$100,000 to \$124,999	22% 2
More than \$125,000	11% 1
Prefer not to say	22% 2
Total	9

Q23 - Which race or ethnicity do you most identify with? Please check all that apply. - Prefer not to answer

9 Responses



## Appendix B.2 | FOCUS GROUP SUMMARY

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### DESIGNWORKSHOP

## MEMO: FOCUS GROUP SUMMARY

To: City of Cheyenne: Jeanie Vetter and Jason Sanchez  
From: Design Workshop: Anna Laybourn, Ashley Hejtmanek, Jennifer Pintar  
Date: Revised: January 31, 2025  
Project Name: Cheyenne Parks and Recreation Master Plan  
Project #: 7172  
Subject: Focus Group Summary

Design Workshop and the City of Cheyenne conducted six focus group sessions from November 13th to November 14th to discuss the City's park system needs. The goals were to initiate the project with insight into diverse interests, gain a deeper understanding of concerns, opportunities, values and needs, and gather input about what is working, where to make improvements, and potential strategies. Over 50 people participated, including invitees considered subject matter experts in their respective fields, key stakeholders on various topics, City of Cheyenne staff, as well as community members.

The planning team gave a brief presentation describing the project's purpose and next steps. This was followed by open-ended questions focused on a series of discussion topics to get a better understanding of opportunities and challenges in each of the five topic areas:

1. Adult Athletics and Activities
2. City Youth Athletic Programs
3. Community Growth and Tourism
4. Operations and Maintenance
5. Special Populations and Program Providers
6. Greenways and Trails / Open Space and Natural Resources

The key overall takeaways from each focus group session are summarized below. When summarizing feedback, participants' statements are used and are generally not edited.

### OVERALL TAKEAWAYS

- » Year-round weather constraints and considerations lend to a strongly heard desire for indoor recreation opportunities.
- » There is high demand at peak times for sport courts, fields, and ice (and partnerships with the school district have created financial and burdensome strain with some program providers)
- » Offerings and connections to the south side of the city are limited.
- » There is a conflict between the amount of maintenance cost and energy put into non-functioning manicured park space and the public perception of natural landscaping and its ecological values.
- » The greenway is an exceptional asset to the city.

- » Quality versus quantity of parks and amenities should be considered. Maximize the use of facilities before adding more (i.e. add lighting or synthetic turf for extended play).
- » Park maintenance guidelines and roles – renovation funds are needed beyond daily maintenance funding, don't build what can't be maintained.
- » Clear policies and standards are needed, particularly as to the types of open spaces the city will accept from developers and revisiting rates for impact fees.
- » Placemaking and art throughout parks and the greenway

### BIG IDEAS

Focus groups expressed big ideas for Cheyenne's park and recreation spaces that could be drivers for access and programming. Below are examples of concepts that the focus groups shared:

- » Indoor recreation center or sports complex for year-round activity demand. Ideally where families can recreate at the same time and place. Multiple clear-span facilities could be dispersed throughout the city to meet demands.

### ADULT ATHLETICS AND ACTIVITIES FOCUS GROUP

Monday, November 13, 2023 // 8:30 - 9:30 AM MST // In-Person

There were 19 people invited to the Adult Athletics and Activities Focus Group and six (6) people participated in person.

#### The overall takeaways that came from this group discussion included:

- » Space is the biggest challenge for sports and activities.
- » The City provides services for approximately 69,000 people in Cheyenne and over 100,000 in Laramie County. The Master Plan Opportunity boundary (MPO) includes 90,000 people.
- » Growth: Much of the development is in the central areas of Cheyenne because that's where the population was for a long time. The greenway helps with the connection.
- » Restrooms: The lack of restrooms creates gaps in activities for certain users. Additionally, the restrooms tend to be subject to constant vandalization.
- » Laramie County doesn't provide recreation.
- » Public schools are not exempt from guidelines and fees. There is a formal use agreement with the schools to use facilities, including fees for gymnastics and basketball. Just created a MOU.
- » A proposed gymnastics facility is in progress.
- » Strong winds and the short summer season impact the use of sports activities and field use.
- » There is an overall lack of winter activities.

Besides existing offerings, programming gaps include adult hockey (due to lack of available ice time), and adult tennis, youth and female disc golf, and female horseshoes due to either lack of interest or lack of programming. Additionally, BMX and Mountain Bike Clubs lack facilities in the city. It was mentioned that the lack of restrooms at disc golf parks could explain some of the gaps between youth and females. A few recreation trends include cornhole and dodgeball as growing sports.

Partnership suggestions and roles of other agencies to provide recreation for the community included partnering with Archer Complex and other clubs and associations. The school district has been a long-standing partner but has become cost burdensome. The City has an MOU that still needs to go through to schedule background checks for access but does have fee agreements.



## Appendix B.2 | FOCUS GROUP SUMMARY

Many suggestions and input for City facilities use, quality and needs, and program trends/recreation user group interests indicated play time availability and space, weather, and high participant numbers. Below is input for some of the individual user groups:

### Ice Hockey

- » Maxed out on ice time for adult and youth leagues, and cannot utilize the facility year-round.
- » There is a huge interest in adult hockey.
- » A second sheet of ice would benefit the hockey program and retain some of the players that go to other communities due to demand traveling out of town to participate in other programs or tournaments.

### Pickleball

- » Courts are consistently full into the evenings.
- » Conflicts with Volleyball and other scheduling for indoor space.
- » Courts are at the Beast, YMCA, Romero Park.
- » Opportunity for tournaments: Colorado people come up, and Cheyenne people go to Colorado.
- » Tennis Courts with Pickleball lines: JL Ranch Park, United Nations Parks (bring your own net), MLK Park.

### Volleyball

- » Timing and availability of gym space are not great for full time workers.

### Tennis

- » The Wyoming Governor's Cup tournament is sponsored in Cheyenne (52 years).
- » High schools are starting to price them out for court use.
- » No public tennis facility/club.
- » Success in youth tennis but is considered a "summer sport" – the climate is hard to support it.
- » Adult numbers could be stronger; there is a gap between high school and 60+.
- » The city's central area courts get more use than those in the east.

### Disc Golf

- » Courses are often located in the storm drainage system, which yields those areas unusable during heavy water events, as well as festers mosquitoes in wet years, and finally are not conducive to restrooms.
- » Youth and females are underrepresented – not having a restroom is a deterrent for female participants.
- » There is a desire to increase access to Disc Golf courses.
- » There are ten public courses, one semi-public course.
- » There is a desire for courses in maintained city parks/urban play areas.

### Horseshoes

- » Holiday Park are only the sanctioned pits (not set up for females).

### Recreation Division

- » Space is a challenge to hosting programming.
- » Volleyball, basketball, softball, pickleball, cornhole, and dodgeball are offered
- » Ballparks seem to be adequately provided for scheduling

### BIG IDEAS

- » For big ideas on Adult Athletics and Activities, most ideas emphasize the need for indoor facilities like a recreation center or sports complexes that provide more opportunities, especially during the winter or high demand playing

times. The group further identified the need for combined-use places where families can recreate at the same time and place. For example, parents could drop their children off at a specific activity and do their own activity simultaneously.

- » There is some need for the community to partner to help host tournaments across all activities – hotels and sponsorship opportunities.
- » The City needs renovation funds. They are funded for daily maintenance, but not the big overhauls required over time.

### CITY YOUTH ATHLETIC PROGRAMS FOCUS GROUP

Monday, November 13, 2023 // 10:00 - 11:00 AM MST // In-Person

There were 25 people invited to the City Youth Athletic Programs Focus Group and 5 people participated in person. Participants in this group were primarily advocates for soccer, baseball, and the Boys and Girls Club.

#### The overall takeaways that came from this group discussion included the following:

- » Field availability is an issue.
- » The school district has shut down many after school programs, leaving programming gaps.
- » Overall, fields are in good condition.
- » Maintenance and safety concerns exist at Dutcher Field. Rebuild it, not just renovate.
- » Scheduling availability is hard, especially when accommodating parents' work schedules and competing with weather conditions.
- » Many teams travel to Colorado or other regional counties.
- » Program providers in the community may offer athletic participation that is too costly and travel intensive for all kids to be able to participate, and others like the Boys and Girls Club and the City Recreation Division try to fill the gap with providing skill building and foundational development that could support kids in high school athletic participation.

#### Partnership and stakeholder suggestions to involve and for funding sources included:

- » Boys and Girls Club: Soccer and baseball fields
- » Cheyenne Youth Baseball League (CYBL) offered to help with grants.

Input on trends and interests include a growing number in youth baseball, youth soccer, and futsal. Other input included girls' softball and volleyball, which are well-served in the community.

Besides existing offerings, a few recreation trends and programming gaps were noted; there are gaps within the south side of town, high school boys don't have a competitive season to play soccer, and elementary schools are getting rid of their soccer programs. Overall, there are not enough indoor sports courts to accommodate the programming needs.

### BIG IDEAS

For big ideas on City Youth Athletic Programs, many highlighted the need for indoor play opportunities and year-round sports courts, reiterating the need for an indoor recreational facility. Additionally, Archer was brought up as not a great option for tournaments or programmed sports. Dutcher Field has the space to accommodate more activities but currently has unsafe and rundown conditions.

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### COMMUNITY GROWTH AND TOURISM FOCUS GROUP

Monday, November 13, 2023 // 2:00 - 3:00 PM MST // In-Person

There were 29 people invited to the Community Growth and Tourism Focus Group and 15 people participated in person.

#### The overall takeaways that came from this group discussion included:

- » Indoor recreation center and more indoor recreation opportunities / more opportunities for winter activities.
- » There needs to be more of a focus on the south side of town.
- » Opportunities for the whole family to recreate in a central place.
- » Rewriting code for developers.
- » There needs to be clear policies on the types of land accepted by developers.
- » Most of the county's population is within or on the fringe of the city limits. Increase partnership between city and county.
- » Shorter-term focus is on completion of Kiwanis Park and Sweetgrass.
- » Developer impact fees are outdated.

Input for development and growth considerations for parks, trails, and open space include bikes and transportation connections, outward growth and infill impacts, more signage and wayfinding, and how far people are willing to travel for recreation. Many stated that traveling to the Front Range or other counties is normal for recreation or sports activities. Additional conversations were about demographic changes and shifts in different age groups, specifically around younger generations moving to other places.

Partnerships and funding opportunities included opportunities with larger companies and developers. There are many communities outside the city limits yet within the MPO boundary that utilize services. One suggestion is for the city to partner with the county to help meet some demands. There was an attempt at the State level for the allowance of special districts, but it did not pass. However, that avenue of allowing special districts could help developers and the city.

Local and visitor recreation and event interests and trends include an indoor sports complex specifically mentioning soccer or a recreation center where the whole family can recreate.

Input surrounding community stewardship mentioned the need for futsal courts in denser areas, increased demand for pickleball, and more focus on winter activities.

Conversations around development policies and standards mentioned that there needs to be clear policies on the types of land accepted by developers. There is a potential to rewrite code recommendations and transparency for decision-making. Other mentions were that many rates need to be updated to square foot and be updated yearly.

### BIG IDEAS

Big ideas on Community Growth and Tourism input included indoor recreation opportunities like a recreation center and more connections. One connection idea is an equestrian trail from Greenway to Archer. Other connection ideas include Cheyenne serving as a "gateway city" to the Continental Trail, Rocky Mountain West, and the Colorado Rocky Mountains. There were suggestions to have hotels and restaurants next to event centers, combine recreation, and partner with Budweiser Event Center. Input also included marketing and signage for the park system and expressed the need for an information hub.

### OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE FOCUS GROUP

Tuesday, November 14, 2023 // 8:00 - 9:00 AM MST // In-Person

There were 18 people invited to the Operations and Maintenance Focus Group and seven (7) people participated in person.

#### The overall takeaways that came from this group discussion included the following:

- » There is a conflict between the amount of maintenance cost and energy put into non-functioning manicured park space and the public perception of natural landscaping and its ecological values.
- » Education surrounding waterwise practices and water conservation.
- » Clear policies and responsibilities surrounding city properties and maintenance schedules.
- » Quality of parks over quantity.
- » Level of expectations for each type of park regarding maintenance and provisions.

Comments surrounding the conditions and use of park facilities and amenities were positive overall, including the city having top-notch facilities. Many comments echoed other focus groups' statements that the city should maximize what exists over building new park facilities and amenities. Other comments suggested maintenance is needed specifically related to playgrounds, surfacing, and lighting.

#### Other conditions and use of park facilities and amenities that were mentioned include:

- » Playgrounds
- » Fields and facilities are overused.
- » Wind and weather play a big part in park conditions.
- » Baseball and softball fields are heavily used.

When discussing sustainable management practices, there was considerable mention surrounding natural systems versus domesticated landscaping, especially when natural open spaces and greenway corridors are adjacent to residential properties. Overall, the city manages and maintains a large section of manicured lawns. There was a desire to have clear policies surrounding when landscaping is appropriate versus areas left natural. Other mentioned approaches include community education surrounding waterwise practices and noxious weeds.

#### Other conversations surrounding sustainable management practices included:

- » A level of expectation that all trails will be concrete.
- » Define nonfunctional medians, detention ponds, and visual greenspaces within the park system and how to maintain them.
- » Undeveloped parcels given to the city by developers.
- » Managing requests surrounding landscaping and manicured lawns.
- » Building out a policy for a city property maintenance schedule.

Conversations around future maintenance challenges and innovations focused on best practices and management efforts for maintaining pocket parks, triangle parks, retention ponds, islands, and parking lots. Additionally, homelessness in parks and public restrooms was brought up as a challenge, and there are instances of vandalism.

#### Other conversations around future maintenance challenges and innovations included:

- » The UDC does not require turf grass in a retention pond.
- » A policy allowing unpaved parking lots is needed, as well as who is responsible for the maintenance and replacement budgeting of paved parking areas at parks.
- » Winter maintenance responsibilities.
- » Completed a Dry Creek Master Plan.

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- » Education on trees and plant growth in harsh environments and irrigation requirements.
- » Dog parks and dogs off leash in non-dog parks.

Staffing and resource needs were important topics. There were conversations around staffing needs as the park system grows. Additionally, new development does not allocate for maintenance.

### BIG IDEAS

For big ideas on Operations and Maintenance, there was conversation around the quality of parks over quantity and level of service. One big idea was to transition bluegrass to more native grasses and water-wise materials. Another idea focuses on the level of expectations for each park type regarding maintenance and provisions.

### SPECIAL POPULATIONS AND PROGRAM PROVIDERS FOCUS GROUP

Tuesday, November 14, 2023 // 9:30 - 10:30 AM MST // In-Person

There were 13 people invited to the Special Populations and Program Providers Focus Group and three (3) people participated in person. Participants in this group were representatives of the Laramie County Library, the Comea Shelter, and the Kids Bike Safety Rodeo.

#### The overall takeaways that came from this group discussion included the following:

- » More bike lanes within the city
- » Safe routes to school, including sidewalks and pedestrian pathways.
- » Interactive art and play opportunities include story walks along the path and partnerships with the Laramie County Library.
- » The Laramie County Library is a great resource for kids, but there are more kids than staff.
- » MLK Park doesn't feel safe to some due to the history of homeless people congregating there.

In general, the city facilities use, quality, and needs are doing well, have good accessibility, and are affordable. Additionally, many of the youth utilize city facilities over private entities. Options like the botanical garden, David Ramero, and Kiwanis House are great and affordable. During summer months, more youths and teens use the library than the staffing level can provide.

Other input city facilities use, quality, and needs indicate that amenities in parks, like seating and benches, are often removed where there tend to be people experiencing homelessness. Additionally, in areas where there is increased litter, the trash cans tend to be full. There were conversations on educational opportunities for people experiencing homelessness about how to respect the park and best practices surrounding trash.

Conversations around recreation program offerings and participation rates focused on potential partnerships with the Bike Rodeo, YMCA, ChangeX grant through Microsoft Corp, and the Laramie County Library, such as story walks through the park and coupons for summer reading challenges. Additionally, the Greenway Foundation and Leadership Cheyenne were brought up as options for access, wayfinding, and more art opportunities on the greenway.

When discussing areas not being served, MLK Park was mentioned and how the sports courts and fields are not utilized. There were mentions that there are often feelings of uncomfortableness, specifically around homelessness and the industrial park surroundings.

### BIG IDEAS

For big ideas on Special Populations and Program Providers, input included opportunities for a community center that provides multi-use programs for all ages and a recreation center, especially during winter. Other big ideas centered on potential growth and building a stronger community. Existing facilities like the botanic gardens are great because they are free and provide affordable rentals.

### GREENWAYS AND TRAILS / OPEN SPACE AND NATURAL RESOURCES FOCUS GROUP

Tuesday, November 14, 2023 // 12:00 - 1:30 PM MST // In-Person

There were 17 people invited to the Greenways and Trails / Open Space and Natural Resources Focus Group and 17 people participated in person.

#### The overall takeaways that came from this group discussion included the following:

- » Greenway connections and bike pathways
- » Plant maintenance along the greenway
- » Waterwise planting education
- » There is a need for more restrooms, wayfinding, and hydration stations along the greenway.
- » Sidewalk connections on the southern side of town.
- » Murals and art education throughout parks and along the greenway

Discussions around the connectivity of greenways, parks, trails, and natural resources included trail connections (equestrian included) to the Archer Event Center, Christianson Road Trailhead, and Leads Trail. Other connection suggestions included overlaying sewer projects with the greenway. Some connection concerns were that the railroad bridge needs to be wider for bike lanes. There is a proposed greenway connection from MLK Park to Freedom Elementary School.

For environmental and ecological outdoor programming, feedback for a greenway connector to the western hills with the Arboretum as an opportunity for trail connections within the MPO boundary.

There were suggestions regarding future land conservation opportunities and open space acquisitions for plants and waterwise education, as well as an understanding that Cheyenne is not home to native trees besides riparian areas. The management issues regarding public use of natural lands and trails indicated irrigation funding is very expensive, so there could be partnerships with the Greenway Foundation.

Access to parks and outdoor amenities was an important topic and indicated the need for more restrooms, wayfinding, and hydration stations as the primary focus. Other feedback included connections to North Park and Clear Creek Park and sidewalk accessibility on the south side of town.

Community stewardship and volunteerism suggestions included murals of different birds and wildlife along underpasses and opportunities for education. Potential partnerships with LCCC, Boys and Girls Club, Art Cheyenne, and local artists could exist to have more art within the parks system. Another suggestion was to partner with large corporations to sponsor artwork and minimize vandalism "beautify" options (themed murals)

### BIG IDEAS

For big ideas on Greenways and Trails / Open Space and Natural Resources, input included kinetic sculptures or insulations for kids, more interactive art opportunities, more restrooms or port-toilets in parking areas, and the greenway as a regional draw. Other big ideas are to work with developers as growth happens to help maintain standards for greenspaces and shade.



## Appendix B.2 | STEERING COMMITTEE WORKSHOP SUMMARY

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### MEMO: STEERING COMMITTEE WORKSHOP SUMMARY

To: City of Cheyenne: Jeanie Vetter  
From: Design Workshop: Anna Laybourn, Ashley Hejtmanek, Jennifer Pintar  
Date: December 5, 2023  
Project Name: Cheyenne Parks and Recreation Master Plan  
Project #: 7172  
Subject: Steering Committee Workshop Summary

Design Workshop and the City of Cheyenne conducted a Steering Committee Workshop on November 13th to discuss the City's park system needs. The goals were to initiate the project with insight into diverse interests, gain a deeper understanding of the vision, opportunities, values and needs, and gather input about what is working, where to make improvements and potential strategies. Eleven (11) people participated, including invitees considered subject matter experts in their respective fields, key stakeholders on various topics, City of Cheyenne staff, and community members.

The key overall takeaways from the Steering Committee Workshop are summarized below. When summarizing feedback, participants' statements are used and are generally not edited.

#### STEERING COMMITTEE OVERALL TAKEAWAYS

Monday, November 13, 2023 // 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM MST // In-Person

There were 18 people invited to the Steering Committee Workshop and 11 people participated in person.

##### The overall takeaways that came from this group discussion included:

- » Quality versus quantity of parks and amenities should be considered (continued investment so facilities and amenities remain in good condition).
- » There needs to be more consistency between maintenance cost and energy put into manicured park space and natural landscaping.
- » Educational opportunities are needed around native species, water conservation, maintenance practices, and tree planting.
- » Clear policies and standards are needed around the defining city roles with developers, HOAs, and the County as partners.
- » Park maintenance guidelines and roles – renovation funds are needed beyond daily maintenance funding; don't build what can't be maintained.
- » A sense of community and ownership is a strength to the city.

One of the city's big strengths is its inventory and offerings, including the greenway and sports fields. Additionally, the community is a strength, indicating that people feel ownership of what their city has and often volunteer to help with the greenway's spring and fall clean-up days.

Input surrounding weaknesses include not having a recreation center or any large indoor facilities, creating a gap for winter sports and programming. Conversations around trends included an increased desire for recreation centers or sports complexes that offer climbing walls or obstacle courses. Another trend is the need for more play time availability and space, specifically for pickleball, golf, and youth sports.

Also discussed was the 6th penny and tax funding sources. It was expressed that the municipal level depends on the state tax structure, making funding difficult to accomplish.

Amenity and recreation programming gaps include facilities and tracks for BMX and mountain bike clubs and the need for more natural areas for mountain biking. Further input suggested that the parks could use unique features or differing amenities throughout the system.

Input surrounding barriers include weather conditions, lack of indoor facilities, and better communication with advertising offerings and events. Other input suggested that travel time to parks and facilities within the city is often challenging, but traveling to other counties or the front range is normalized.

When asked about priority upgrades and improvements, input included playground equipment and batting cage facilities. Specific parks and recreation facilities include updates to Johnson Pool and Dutcher Field. There were suggestions to continuously invest so facilities and amenities remain in good condition.

Sustainable management practices expressed the desire for educational opportunities, especially around native species, water conservation, and maintenance practices of native dryland areas. Additionally, there are often requests to increase trees that are not natural to the area and need irrigation, specifically along the greenway, which does not have natural water sources. There was considerable conversation around maintenance standards and best practices for natural areas versus landscaping, with the city spending many resources to keep up manicured lawns. Additionally, the city gets requests to mow retention ponds and areas that require stability from erosion.

The topic of safety included conversations about the feeling of discomfort and unease in parks where there are people experiencing homelessness. Several parks were mentioned, such as Martin Luther King Jr. Park, Holliday Park, Mylar Park, and Crow Creek Park, where the fields and facilities are not utilized. Other comments surrounding safety included vandalism and off-leash dogs.

The role of the Community Recreation and Events Department included discussions about weed control in the right of ways, retention ponds, and asphalt patching and painting. The discussions expressed a strong need for better defined roles, maintenance prioritization, and what responsibilities fall to which departments.

Input for development and growth considerations suggested defining city roles with developers, HOA, and the County. Additionally, input suggested a need to update the Unified Development Code (UDC) to help define city roles. There were also conversations about a better understanding of the level of service.

Tourism and economic development topics included sports facilities bringing groups in from out of town, specifically in the summer, and Cheyenne being a community where people want to live, visit, and do business.

#### BIG IDEAS

The big ideas from this group discussion focused on the quality of parks and funding options. Input included conversations around a recreation center, safety at Dutcher Field, playground improvements, including thematic playgrounds, and coverings over equipment. There were also conversations about a Master Plan for the Sweetgrass parcel.

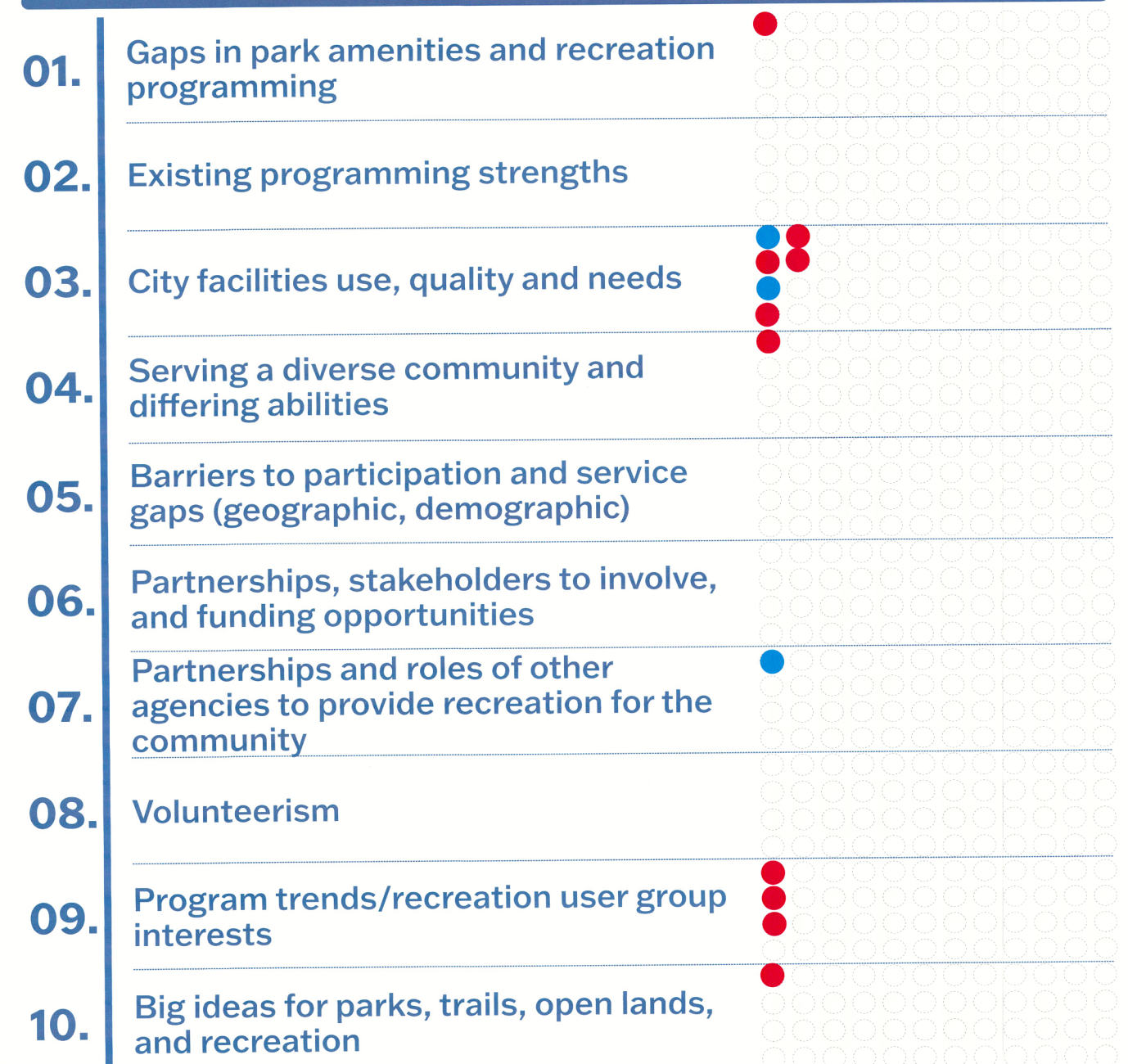


## COMMUNITY GROWTH & TOURISM RELATED TO PARKS & RECREATION



Additional Topics:

## ADULT ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES



Additional Topics:



## CITY YOUTH ATHLETIC PROGRAMS



Additional Topics:

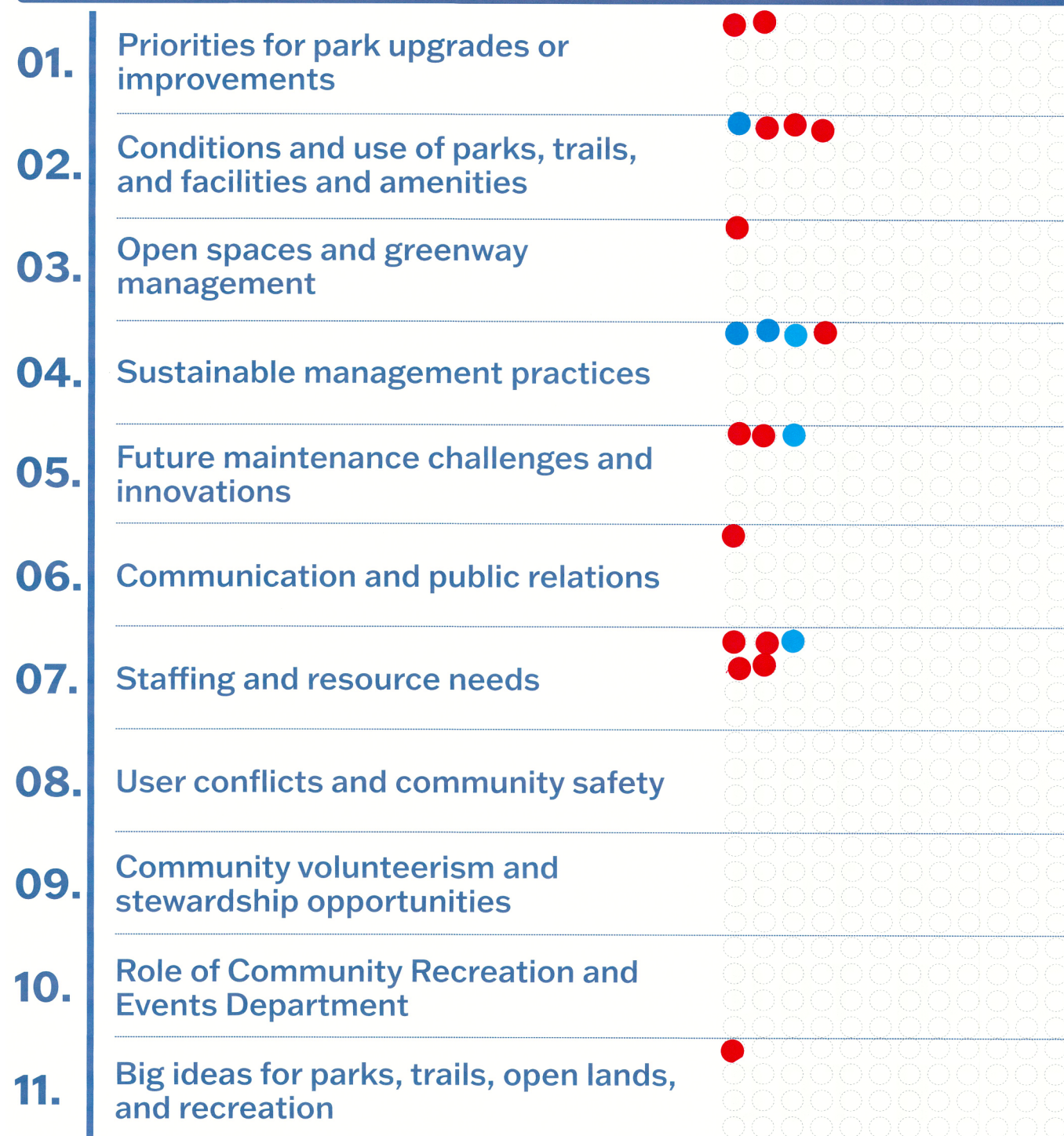
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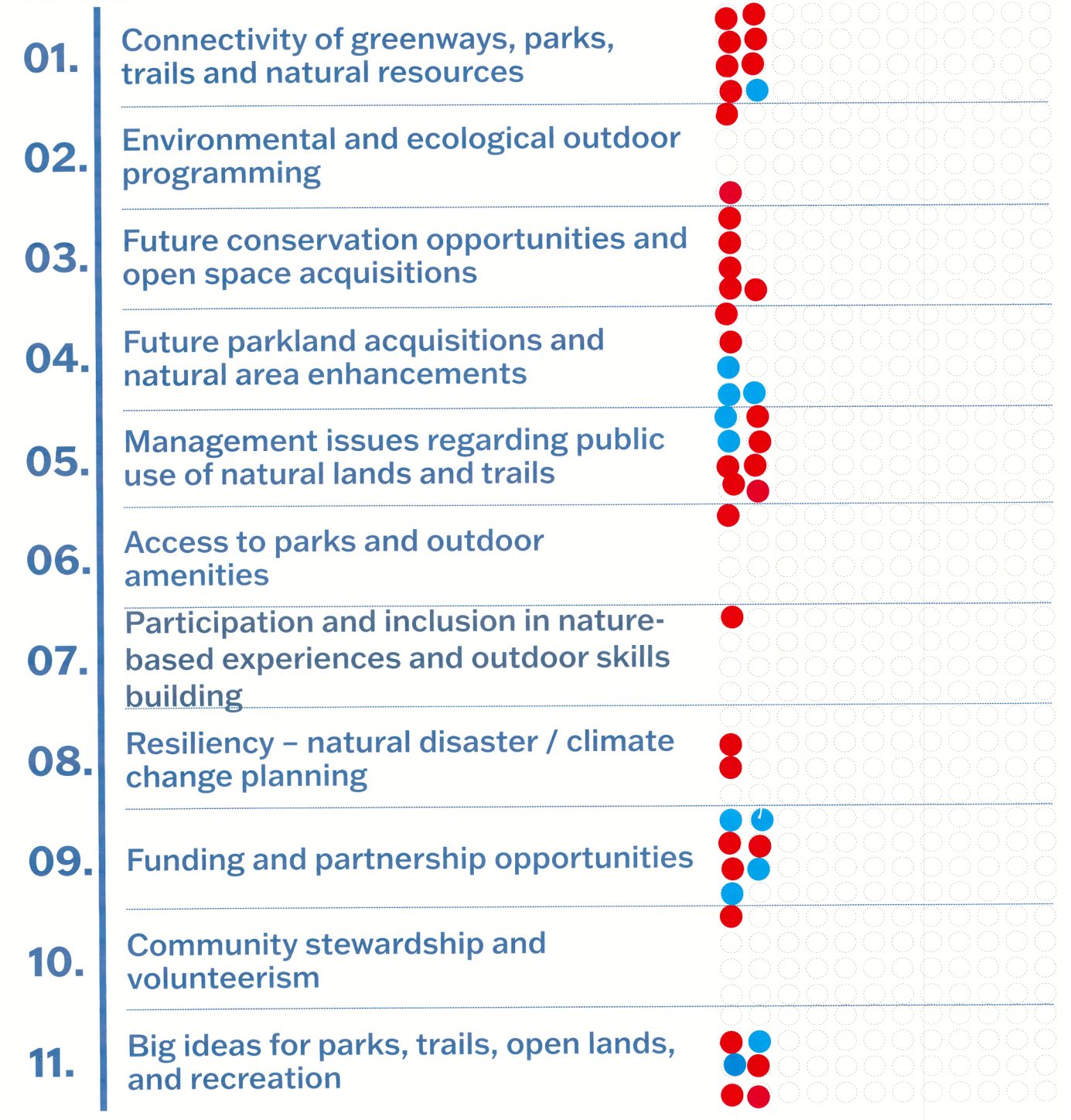


## OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE



Additional Topics:

## GREENWAYS & TRAILS / OPEN SPACE & NATURAL RESOURCES



Additional Topics:



## SPECIAL POPULATIONS & PROGRAM PROVIDERS

01.	Gaps in park amenities and recreation programming	
02.	Existing programming strengths	
03.	City facilities use, quality and needs	●
04.	Recreation program offerings and participation rates	●
05.	Program trends/recreation and user group interests	
06.	Barriers to participation and service gaps (geographic, demographic)	
07.	Serving a diverse community and differing abilities	●
08.	Access and participation in nature-based experiences	
09.	Parks and recreation equity and inclusion	●
10.	Partnership opportunities	●
11.	Big ideas for parks, trails, open lands, and recreation	●

### Additional Topics:

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Date: June 25, 2024

Project Name: Cheyenne Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Project #: 7172

Subject: Community Workshop Summary

### INTRODUCTION

A community workshop was held in Cheyenne on June 3, 2024. Forty-one (41) local and nearby residents attended and participated in the workshop. Engagement activities included live polling, mapping opportunity areas with stickers, and opportunities to provide comments regarding the future of Cheyenne's park and recreation system.

### ATTENDANCE

Total attendees: 41

### FEEDBACK:

The following summarized feedback was provided via written comment card.

#### Greenway and connections

- The greenway is a premier asset to Cheyenne!
- More pet stations on greenway
- Prioritize additional biking/walking areas
- Convert Capitol Ave and 24<sup>th</sup> to pedestrian mall
- Connect the high plains arboretum and Belvoir Ranch to the greenway w/ off-road trails

#### Recreation:

- Indoor Recreation (Pro)
  - Need a "true" rec center
  - Indoor track and soccer field needed. It would allow Cheyenne to host State events, rather than always going to Casper
  - Indoor baseball and softball facilities
- Indoor Recreation (Con)
  - The gymnastics center and BEAST should negate the need for additional indoor recreation spaces

## Appendix B.3 | COMMUNITY WORKSHOP SUMMARY

- City residents should have reduced rates on city amenities
- Need 2-3 more full-size baseball fields (not enough fields to fit everyone over the summer). (12-year-olds, adults, college leagues – practices and games)
- Play areas need more swings and shaded areas

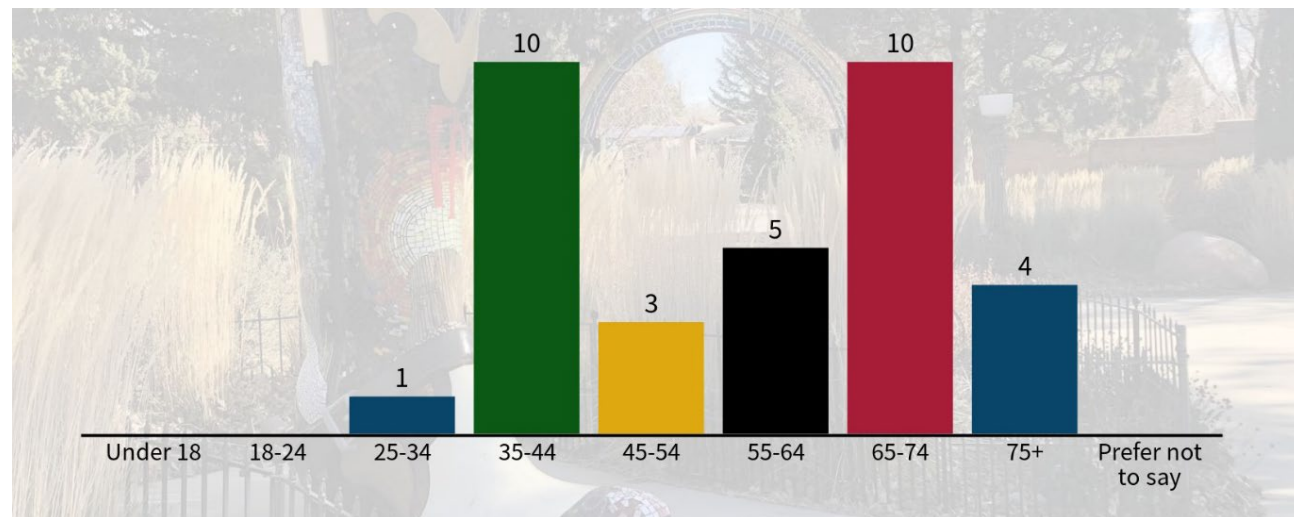
### Overall System

- Do not build what cannot be maintained
- More natural areas
- Increase police presence through parks

### LIVE POLLING RESULTS

The following questions were asked during the meeting. One participant entered their preferences in via a hard paper copy, and that is factored into the summarized “key takeaways.”

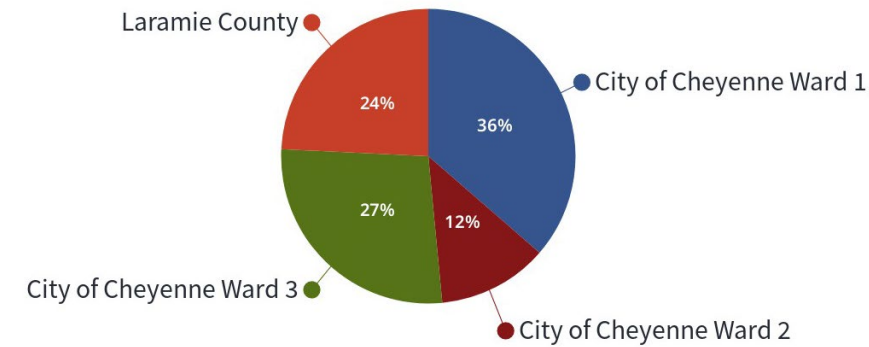
#### Question 1: What is your age?



#### Key Takeaways

The age groups of respondents was equal between the ages of 35-44 and 65-74, followed by ages 55-64. No one under the age of 25 attended the meeting. More people above the age of 55 attended the meeting than below. This question received 33 total responses.

#### Question 2: Where do you live?



#### Key Takeaways

The greatest number of attendees (36%) live in Cheyenne Ward 1, which is in the southwestern portion of the city. The second largest group of attendees live in Laramie County. The smallest group of attendees (12%) live in Cheyenne Ward 2 in the northern part of the city. This question received 34 responses.

#### Question 3: How have you previously participated in this Park and Recreation System Plan creation?

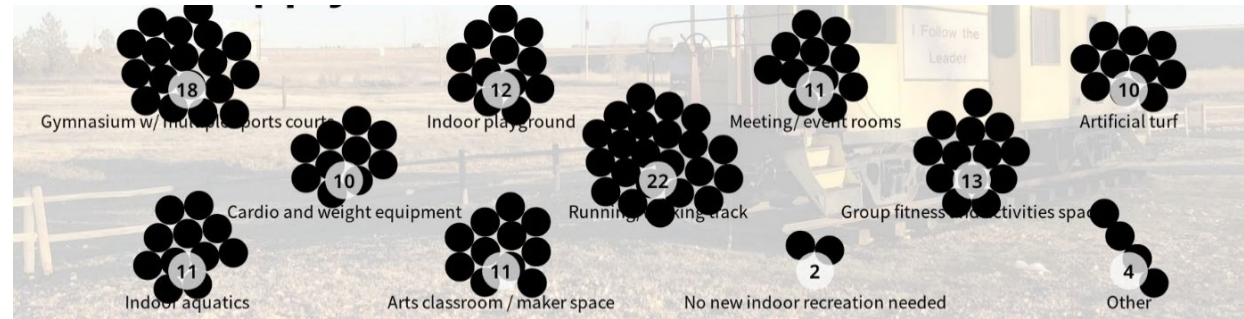


#### Key Takeaways

Most respondents (18) also took the community survey. Sixteen (16) responded that this is their first time being involved. Nine (9) people who attended the meeting serve on the project committee, council, or are city staff. This question received 53 responses from 36 respondents, as people were able to select multiple answers.



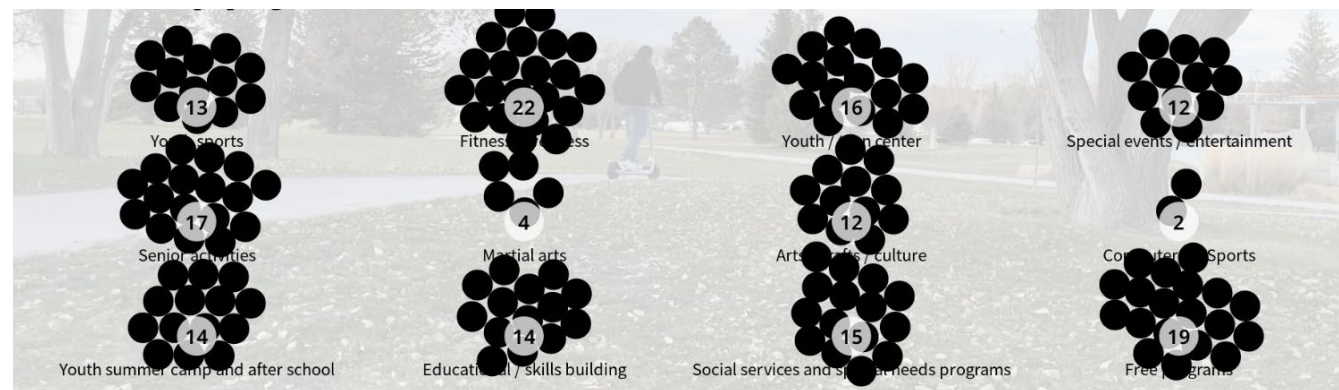
**Question 4: We heard a strong desire for more indoor recreation space. In addition to the new spaces, what more is needed indoors?**



**Key Takeaways**

Most people (22) responded that a running/biking track is needed as indoor recreation space. The second most desired space (18) is a gymnasium with multiple sports courts. Other spaces like a playground, art classroom/makerspace, aquatics, meeting/event rooms, artificial turf, group fitness, cardio and weight equipment received around the same number of responses (10-13). This question received 125 responses from 36 respondents.

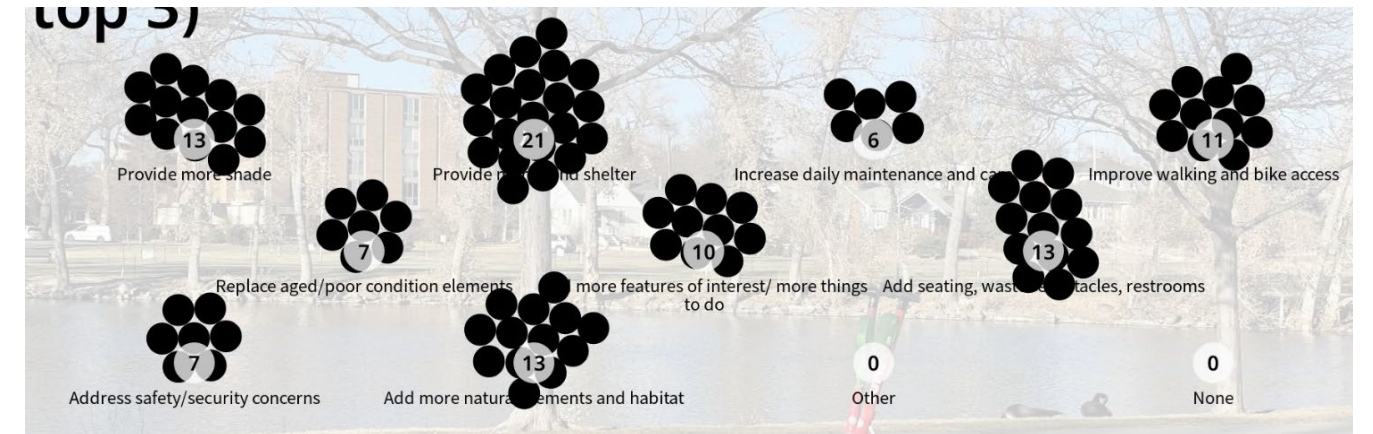
**Question 5: What recreational activities should be added or expand on current offerings?**



**Key Takeaways**

Most respondents (22) agreed on more fitness/wellness spaces. Following up are free programs (19), senior activities (18), youth centers (16), and social services and special needs programs (15). The most wanted recreational activities serve a range of ages, incomes, and abilities across Cheyenne. This question received 161 responses from 37 respondents.

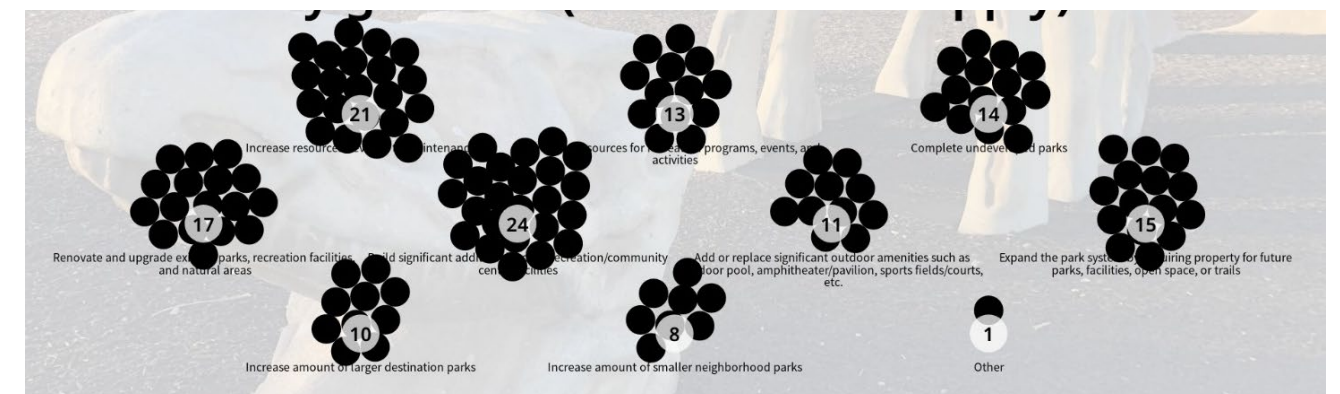
**Question 6: What would make the current parks and greenways more enjoyable?**



**Key Takeaways**

Most responded (21) that providing more wind shelter would make the current parks and greenways more enjoyable. The next three important actions to help make these places more enjoyable are: providing more shade (13), adding more natural elements and habitat (13), and adding seating, waste receptacles, and restrooms (13). This question received 103 responses from 37 respondents.

**Question 7: Where do you think Cheyenne should invest in the next ten years in response to community growth?**

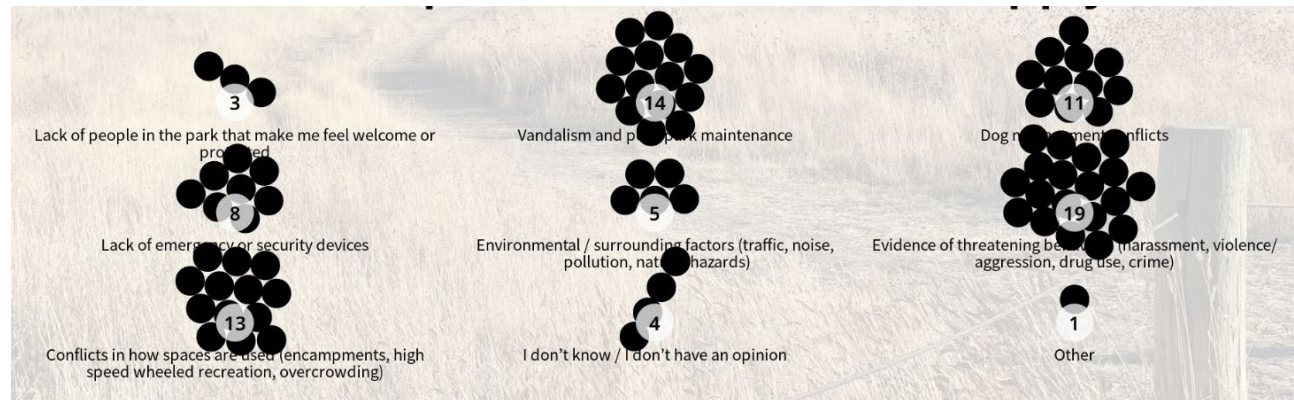


**Key Takeaways**

Most respondents (24) want more significant additional indoor recreation/community center facilities to be built. The second focus on investment (21) is an increase in resources devoted to maintenance. Overall, respondents want a balance of helping maintain and upgrade the existing park system while also expanding the system for future open spaces like parks and indoor spaces like recreation centers. This question received 134 responses from 36 respondents.



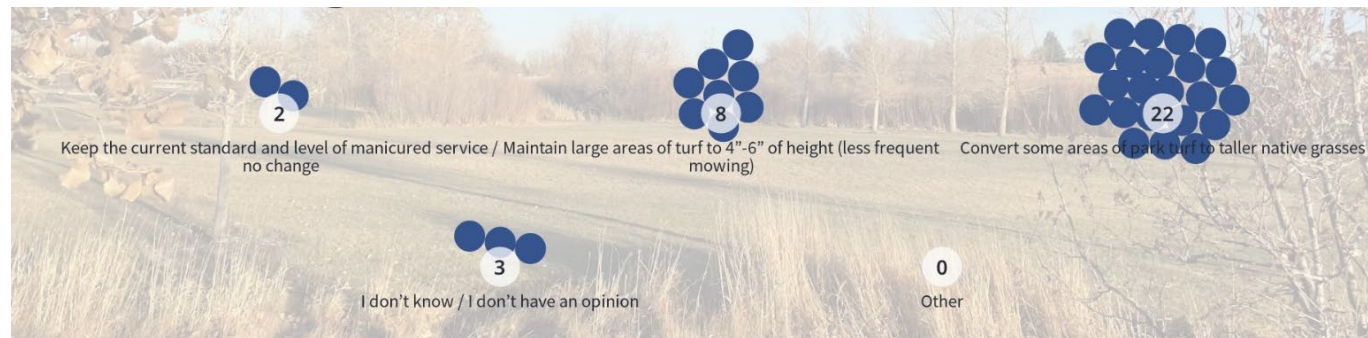
**Question 8: We have heard of safety/security concerns for a few parks. What factors make you feel unsafe in these places?**



**Key Takeaways**

Most respondents (19) shared that there is evidence of threatening behavior in a few parks such as harassment, violence, aggression, drug use, and crime. Other respondents voted that vandalism and lack of park maintenance (15), and conflicts in how spaces are used (13) are other reasons for feelings of unsafety. Five (5) respondents did not share an opinion. This question received 80 responses from 36 respondents.

**Question 9: Which of the following changes to standard lawn maintenance practices would you be willing to support, particularly if it resulted in cost savings?**



**Key Takeaways**

Most respondents agreed that some areas of park turf should be converted to taller native grasses (22) and/or mow large areas less frequently (8). Only three respondents do not want to see changes. This question received 36 responses.

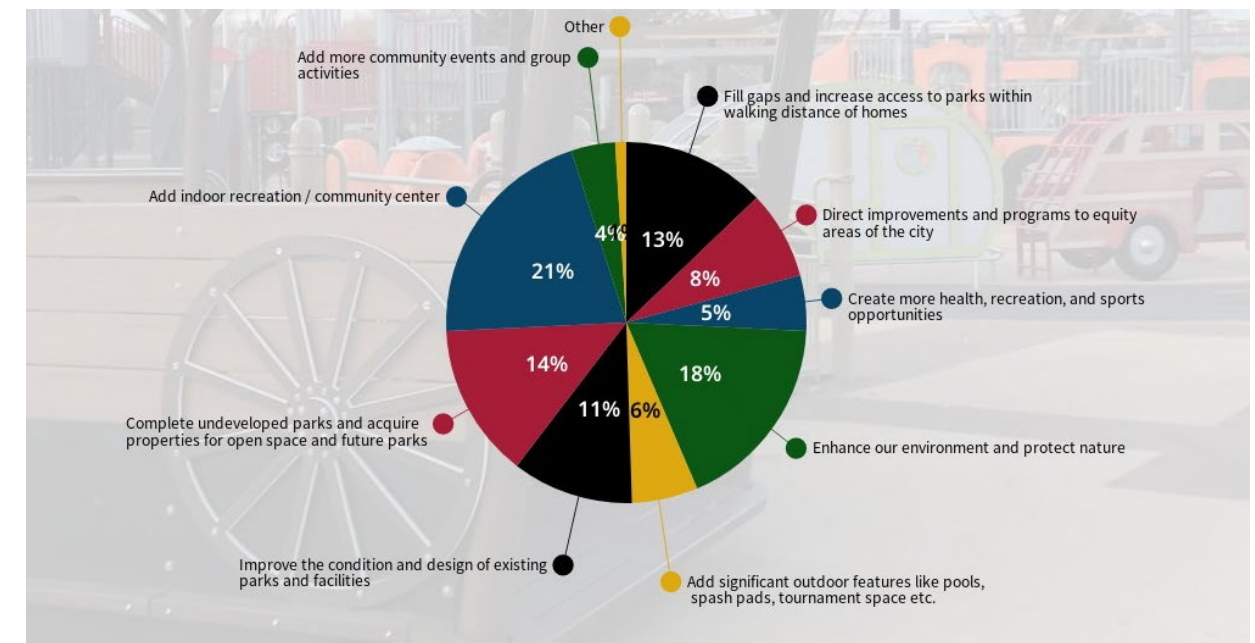
**Question 10: What approach do you like best meeting the high demand for sports fields and courts?**



**Key Takeaways**

Most respondents (17) favor adding indoor fields and/or courts. The rest of the survey questions relating to maintenance and upgrades for sports fields and courts received few responses. This question received 36 responses.

**Question 11: What do you think should be a focus for parks and recreation in the next 10 years?**



**Key Takeaways**

21% of respondents would like to add an indoor recreation/community center. 18% would like to enhance the environment and protect nature. Overall, land acquisition and protection are two more broad focuses which should be worked to balance between the development of indoor spaces, the protection of open spaces, and the creation of new parks. Each of the 36 respondents ranked their top three (3) priorities, creating 108 responses.



Question 12: Which of these funding mechanisms would you like to see used in the future?



**Key Takeaways**

Most respondents (30) want to continue to allocate Lotto proceeds to the Department for park improvements and ask voters to fund the construction and operation of a significant new facility such as an indoor recreation center (26). Overall, respondents agree that revenue generation should be diversified and allocated toward Cheyenne’s parks. This question received 106 responses from 35 respondents.

CHEYENNE PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

Please provide any comments that you would like to leave the planning team with regarding the future of Cheyenne's park and recreation system.

*Fantastic job! I really think this type of planning is a great asset to Cheyenne. The greenway is the premier asset to living in Cheyenne. Additional biking/walking should be prioritized. Thank you!*

CHEYENNE PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

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*No more parks unless they get more help!  
True Rec Center!!  
City Residents should have reduced rates on City amenities  
Golf Course*

CHEYENNE PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

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*More Natural Areas  
Fewer Bikes  
More Pet Stations on Greenway*



# Appendix B.3 | COMMUNITY WORKSHOP COMMENT CARDS

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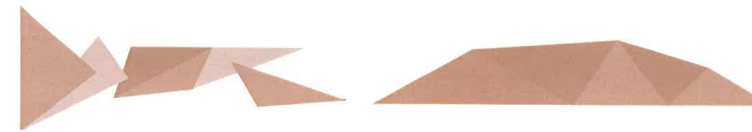
With building the new gymnastic center and acquiring the BEAST center, the city should not need to add more indoor sports space



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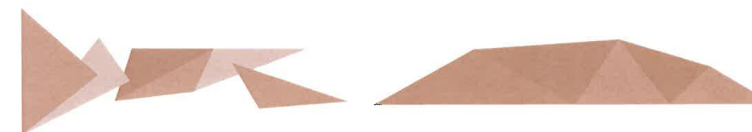
We need indoor Track & Soccer field  
so we can host the state  
Tires of going to Casper for all i  
?Lots



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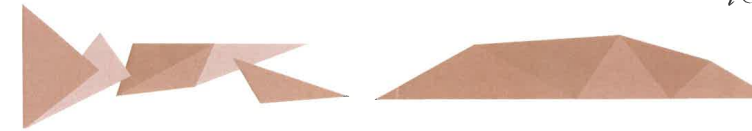
\* Indoor basketball facilities/ Softball  
\* Increased police presence/patrol through parks



## CHEYENNE PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

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We need 2-3 more full-size baseball fields that can be used for practice and games for 12 years olds and above, including adults. Otherwise, we can't really handle all summer programs to include college or adult summer leagues.



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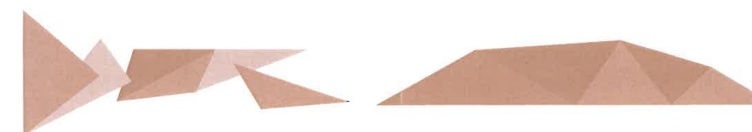
Shut down Capitol ave / 24th for pedestrian mall



## CHEYENNE PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

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Excellent workshop, thank you for the opportunity to engage in a meaningful way w/ new parks!

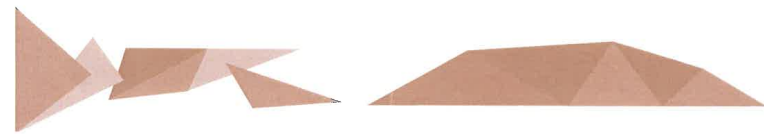


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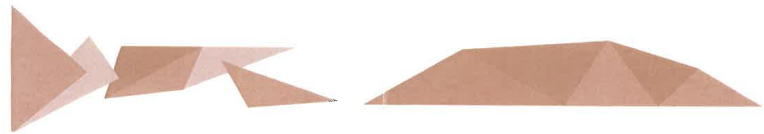
MORE SHADE AT play AREAS  
MORE SWINGS



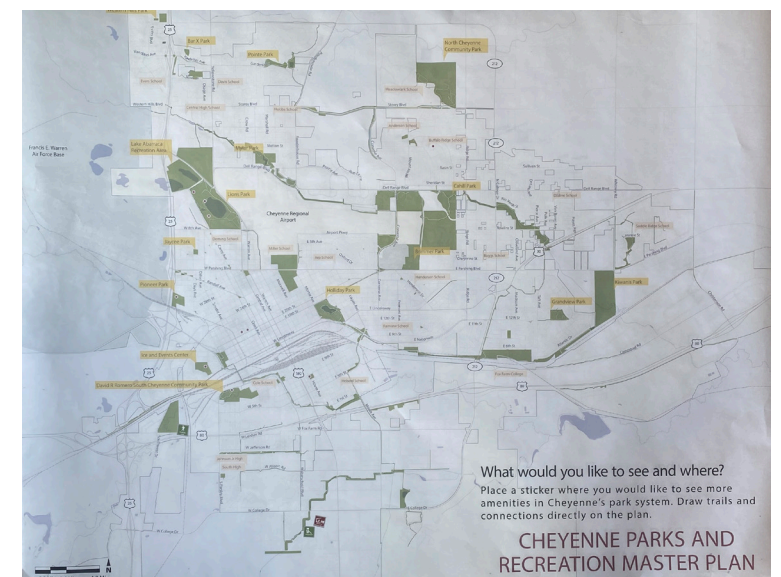
CHEYENNE PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

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try to connect the high plains arboretum  
and belvoir Ranch to greenway w/ off  
road trails

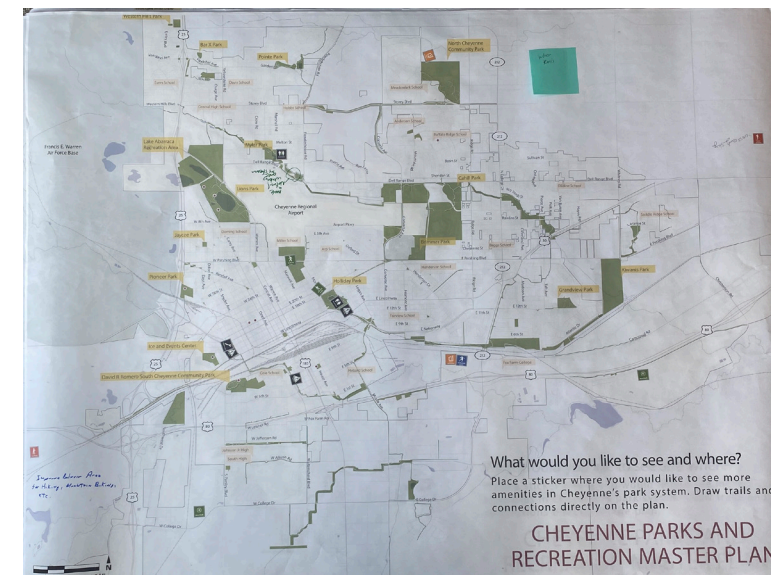
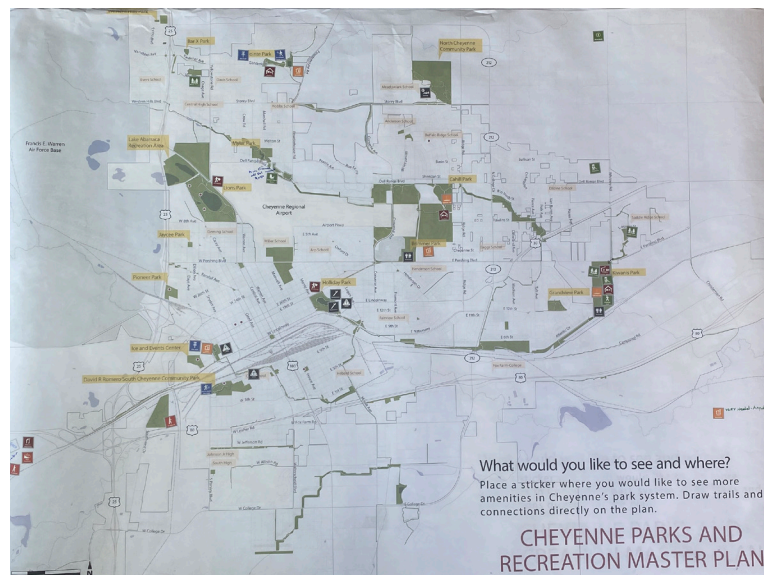
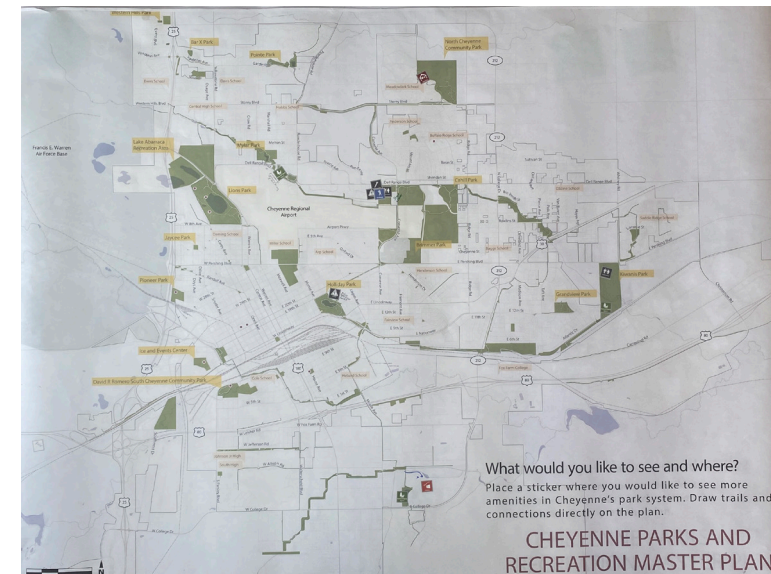
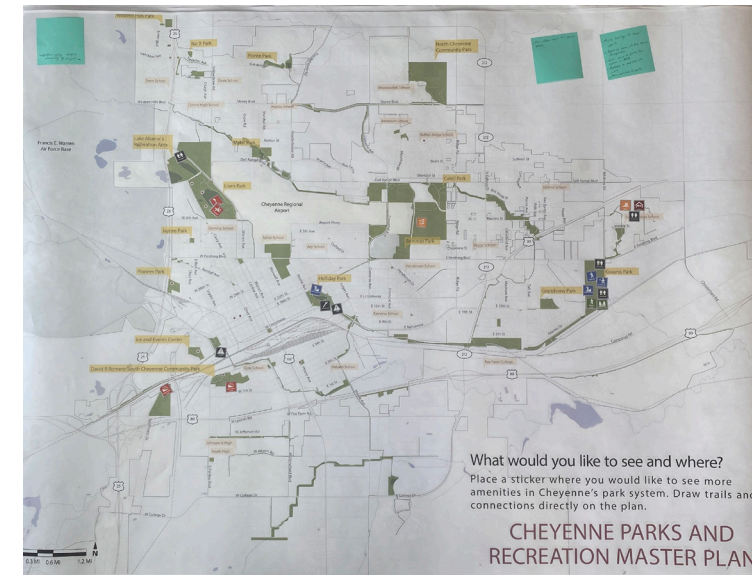
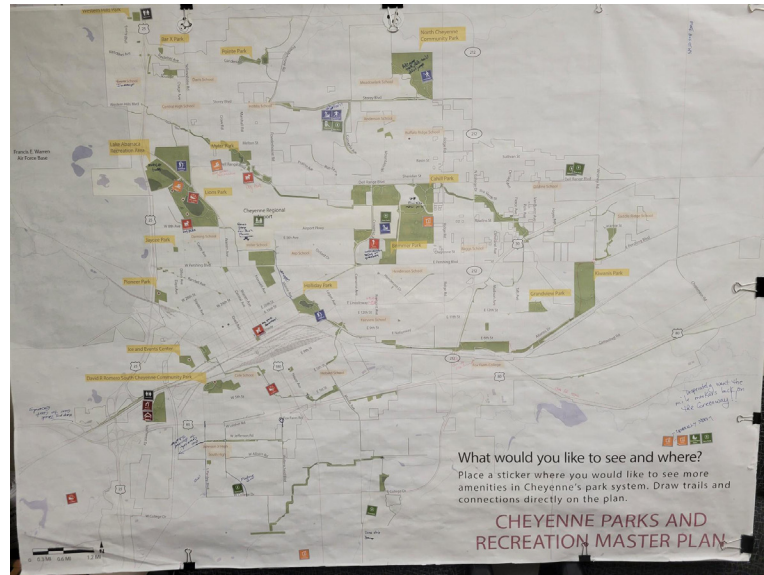


## Appendix B.3 | COMMUNITY WORKSHOP MAPPING EXERCISE

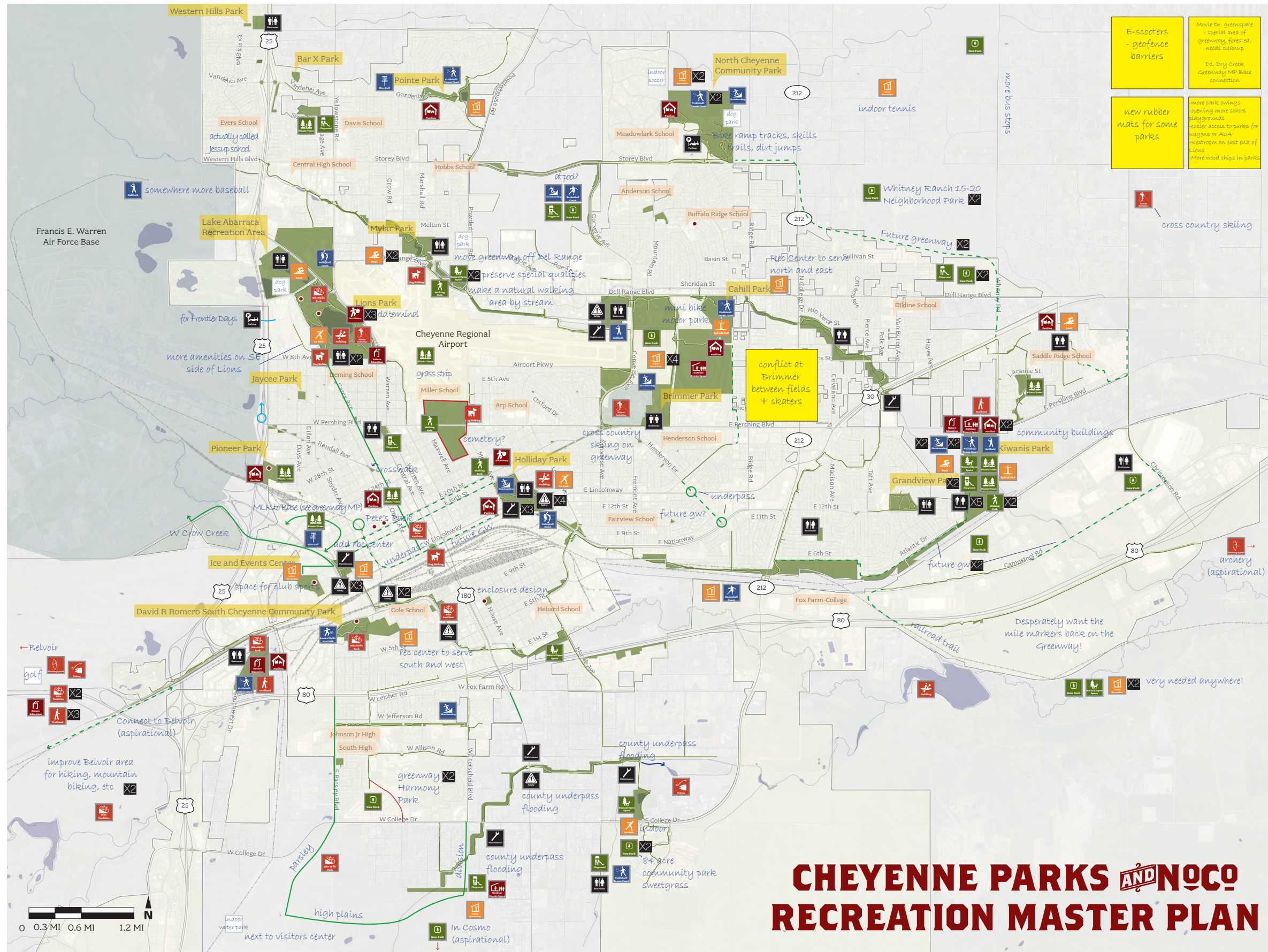




# Appendix B.3 | COMMUNITY WORKSHOP MAPPING EXERCISE







# CHEYENNE PARKS AND NOCO RECREATION MASTER PLAN



What would you like to see and where?  
Place a sticker where you would like to see more amenities in Cheyenne's park system. Draw trails and connections directly on the plan.

**CHEYENNE PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN**

GENERALLY NEEDED

Desperately want the milk markers back on the Greenway!!

Happy trail! Good to start!

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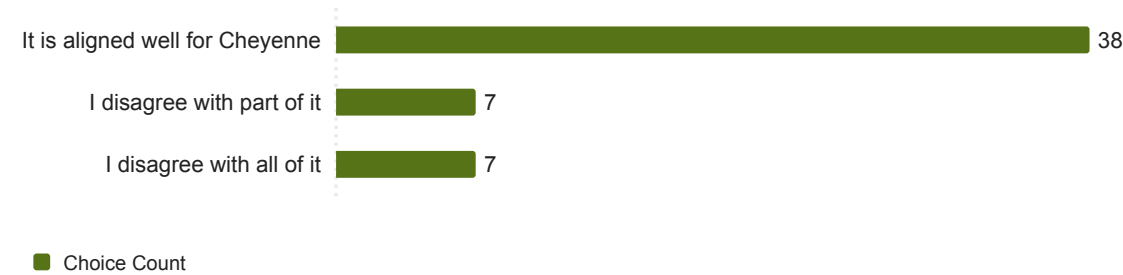


### Cheyenne Draft Plan Review - Survey Questionnaire Results

The Cheyenne Parks and Recreation Master Plan questionnaire was conducted from December 19, 2025, to January 16, 2026. A total of 52 responses were received. Of these, 42 participants provided written comments, while 11 respondents only answered the multiple-choice questions. The responses to the open-ended questions are presented verbatim. Additionally, there were three emailed comments.

#### Q1 - PARK PLAN VISION STATEMENT To promote cultural enrichment and foster community stewardship in Cheyenne by creating exceptional parks, natural spaces, recreational facilities, and opportunities that enhance the quality of life and contribute to the greater economic development of the city. 1. What do you think about this plan vision statement?

52 Responses



#### Q2 - PARK PLAN VISION STATEMENT What changes would you suggest, if any, to the Park Plan Vision Statement?

21 Responses

What changes would you suggest, if any, to the Park Plan Vision Statement?

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More focus on South. cheyenne

This document is clearly a whole lot of money thrown at the question without asking the question of does this actually help the city make any decisions? It does not. It is a waste of money.

I would add, "for the benefit of all" at the end of the statement.

Insert "...by creating AND MAINTAINING exceptional..." in the vision statement.

Include environmental stewardship.

None to the vision statement, I am curious about metrics that will be used to ensure it's being achieved.

We have enough parks and do not ned more.

None

To actually do it and not talk about it, and too care for the people and deliver what the people ask for. You are not good at that!

None its pointless

I would like the city to put a park, and run the greenway from college and campstool, all the way from the college overpass, down to whitney rd. Via sun valley. Behind the houses on atlantic drive. And a park put in at Raleigh and taft ave.

Nothing at the moment.

None

N/A

Maintain not just create.

No more walkways, they are not used as much as thought.

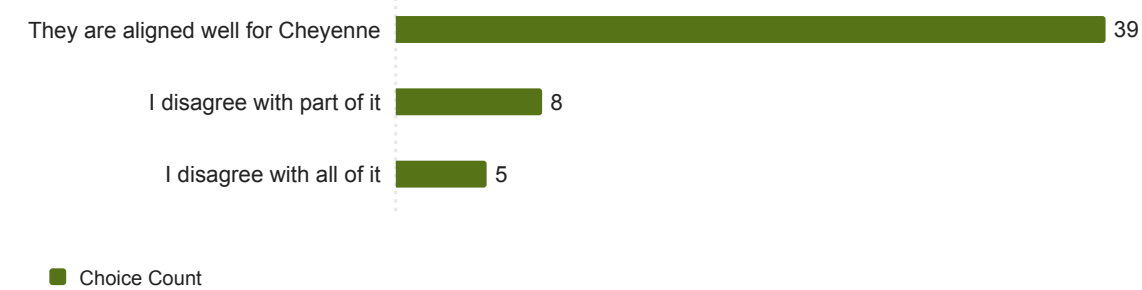
Accomodate for those with disabilities. For example a swing for those with limited mobility or in wheelchairs. Include all facets of the community.

We need to address providing outdoor swimming pool access North, South, East and West.. Certainly I'm aware that we have the Johnson pool and Lions park. The Lions park pool is 50 years old, and the reconstructed Johnson pool is a improvement, however, Cheyenne is divided into three or four city areas, so I believe the Citizens need and should have a place during the nicer month where families can picnic, swim and cool down. I know a pool is a expensive investment to build and maintain but a necessary component of a city's recreational infrastructure.

More native plants/trees so we dont have to spend so much on water and labor

**Q3 - PLAN THEMES** These themes reflect the overall vision for the plan and direct the priorities for the next ten years. 2. What do you think about these plan themes?

52 Responses



**Q4 - What changes would you suggest, if any, to the plan themes?**

18 Responses

What changes would you suggest, if any, to the plan themes?

Our fees are certainly at the low end of what is charged by front range communities. We need more funding in order to compete with them and an across the board raise is needed.

Emphasis on the winter time and activities with young kids. Many places are closed/closing, only offer activities during business hours or have run down facilities

Accomodate for those with mentql and physical deficits

Rec area, UNLESS SIZE OF ARCHER OR BIGGER USELESS!

We need more natural areas that include larger ponds for fishing.

I think they are good. They just need to make sure that upkeep is good on this and that people take care and responsibility of some of these items. Educate people to take care of what we have and respect. Also, no underhanded dealings of any sort. Make sure the citizens are totally aware of what is being done.

There needs to be a connecting greenway from whitney to the college overpass

Wasting money is this towns motto

I wont hold my breath to see if any of this actually happens. So far, all lies.

None

No more parks should be dded

No changes to the themes, but I think the draft plan needs a bit more details and measurements to ensure things are being done. What best practices will be identified to meet these themes and goals?

Elevate emphasis of maintenance and improvement of existing assets to the level of a theme. (Exec Summary, p14).

I don't have a specific suggestion, but public education should really be emphasized under "Environmental Stewardship". The public really needs to better understand how much water is required to maintain green spaces. It is easy for the average citizen to assume that the trees and grass are there because of Mother Nature. With adequate education, the public will begin to understand and accept a more balanced approach that serves both to conserve water and reduce maintenance, particularly on irrigation systems.

Not everyone is a cowboy. Lived here all my life, and generations before me. We are so over everything being Western/ cowboy related.

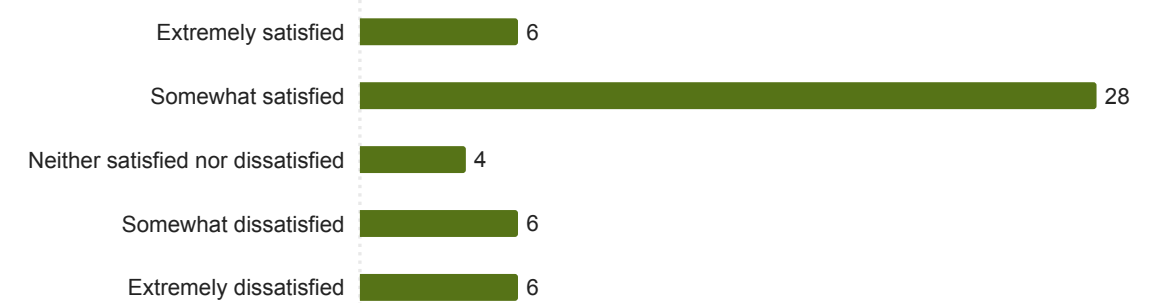
Environmental Stewarship &Align and Expand Funding

Active year around-I believe Cheyenne needs more indoor recreation and sports; hip, I know this cost money

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**Q5 - Please rate your satisfaction with the Cheyenne Parks and Recreation 2025-2035 DRAFT Plan. To view the plan document, click here: [Cheyenne Parks & Recreation Master Plan Document](#)**

50 Responses





### Q6 - What do you like about the parks and recreation plan?

29 Responses

What do you like about the parks and recreation plan?

We are starting to see the much needed improvements to our indoor facilities.

It brings a sense of wellness and outdoors to the city

It has a clear focus on maintaining what we have.

Honestly the document is hard to read, but there is not much emphasis on a new aquatics center or recreational center for youth

I like that a big focus will be on active year-round programs and amenities. I also like that there is a focus on natural areas and looking at promoting natural systems.

I think the goal to be aligned with other efforts is essential.

Very thorough, thoughtful, responsible and exciting plan. The process and final product seem to have been conducted with high professional and cutting edge industry standards - As a former WY State Parks Director, I'm impressed!

I like expanding options to all year and into more parts of the community, as well as creating a more equitable recreation experience in town. Also a huge proponent of including environmental protection in the city.

I like the addition of more greenways and bike paths.

I like the themes.

Greenway projects (hoping they are a priority)

The updates

Nothing

That theres a thought of something cool, bjt again i wont hold my breath.

Easy to read and follow

What is there, I like it!

Nothing

I like that it gives thought to not just maintaining but improving. I think there needs to be a clearer comms plan to ensure people are aware of these changes as they are implemented and a way for the community to understand the need for changes.

It outlines a thorough inventory of the existing parks and facilities. There is some work on prioritizing projects at the end of the document.

Most of it.

Plan gives good recognition of the value of the Greenway and trail connections.

I like the commitment to public education on waterwise practices and a proposed landscape conversion program (and fund!).

I strongly agree that there is a need for more indoor recreation spaces, due to Cheyenne's climate. I like the focus on equity and providing walkable access to parks or greenways throughout the city.

Stressing the need for environmental stewardship.

Strategic Parks and Park plan

Solid Vision

It provides fairly clear direction for CRE staff to prioritize their efforts to make improvements

It appears to improve the quality of parks and rec in Cheyenne.

It has potential for sure. It's good to see a proactive stance.

### Q7 - 6. What changes do you suggest?

34 Responses

What changes do you suggest?

More native landscaping, animal friendly areas

We are the Capital city of our STATE. And we have 0 turf fields at Brimmer and the rear at Converse need it as well. Youd be able to host more adult tournaments and youth state tournaments!

A outdoor Swimming Pool in all four directions!

More outdoor space/ dog parks/ trails

Accomadate for disabled and seniors N elderly

Less quantity and more quality. And provide resource and tool to residential areas to add amenities like parks, so it isn't the city having to always create and maintain. Make programs to encourage these neighborhood investments.

See comments below

The green way needs to come more towards the north part of downtown, linking the neighborhoods near Snyder and Randall to safe walkways and recreation without having to waste fuel to get somewhere safer.

More parks and natural areas on the south side of i80.

Nothing at the moment.

Add the greenway from the college overpass to whitney via behind atlantic dr

Putting people with brains in these positions

To fix and maintain existing parks instead of doing what you already do, neglect and let it rot.

We need a huge Recreation Center that includes an area for Senior Citizens.

There's definitely room for further improvements, but of course, there are limits.

Leave things the way they are.

I would put a park on the corner of 1720 Cleveland- Sun Valley instead of a gambling establishment. Our kids deserve a play area close to our homes instead of the dangers of gambling.

None at this time. But more metrics and measurable goals are always welcome.

While some may disagree, my stance on especially open spaces, is to keep them natural and as undeveloped as possible. Sometimes the city focuses too much on development, when the real value to some of these park lands is that they're untouched. I would highlight more in some of the environmental stewardship sections.

More specifics and more emphasis on environmental stewardship. An example is our many pocket parks. They would be a great place to highlight High Plains native species, reduce water use, and promote habitat for species like birds, pollinators, and other insects.

It does not appear that the equity priority areas are evenly distributed. You have the east side on low priority and downtown area on high. Downtown has several of parks and resources. Where are the east, residents needs to travel to downtown area because of the lack of resources.

More emphasis on maintenance, as described above. Recommend higher priority to elimination of litter, graffiti and infrastructure damage. Keep public restrooms open, safe and clean during all daylight hours.

The USBR WaterSMART program includes Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects that can fund landscape conversion and improved irrigation systems.

The High Plains Arboretum should be included as it is also a city-owned park and provides walking opportunities in a natural space.

Remove the racist weighting on pages 73-76. It does nothing to address any racial disparities, but only serves to imply that racism is a driving factor in the city's decisions without any evidence.

Shooting Range, OffRoad Park for ATVs

Expanding the tree canopy means active pruning and preserving of the existing canopy, along with planting for a second canopy. I haven't any faith in the current city forester or his division to get this done. The existing canopy needs to be allowed to live out its term and this is counter to the current city practices.

None, Thanks to Jason Sanchez and his dependable staff. Thanks for Lions Park pickleball court

The east side of town is underserved and there's a great opportunity to remedy this with a large scale park at the Kiwanis Park, however it looks like the plan is mostly open space. What we need is a large full scale park (similar to lion's park) on the east side of town as this area is growing and underserved.

More emphasis needs to be placed on securing indoor facilities for running, jogging, walking as well as community (not private) sports.

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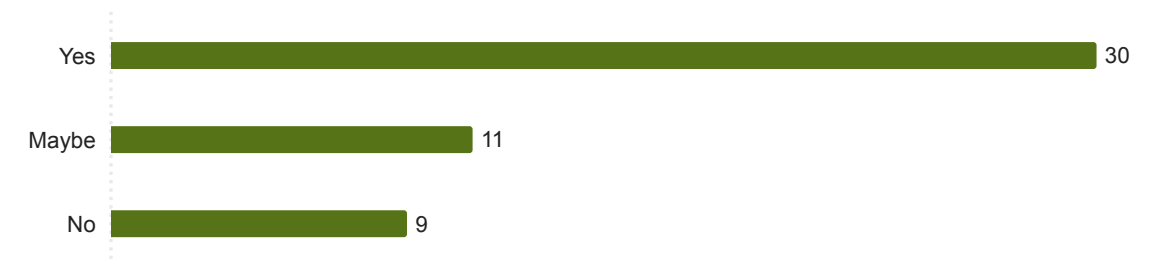
PII

More parks south of Nationway near Goodwill attached to the Greenway are needed. Better lighting along the greenway along Nationway. It's VERY Dark and pedestrians have been hit on that road.

Slides on first page of "Existing Conditions Findings" need to be fixed as they are cut off.

### Q8 - Do you support pursuing additional funding to implement the plan's big vision items?

50 Responses



### Q9 - Do you have any additional comments regarding the Parks and Recreation Master Plan?

29 Responses

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With the closers of some of our elementary schools, we should look into the possibility of working with the school district on land swaps. One area that is underutilized is the practice field behind the old Carey Jr. High. The Eastridge addition doesn't have a neighborhood park and a shared plan of improvements here would be a benefit for both the city and the school district..

Get a Rec Center !



I have lived in Cheyenne for 66 years through good times and bad, so it's great to see a plan as extensive as this. Consequentially, I hope there will be funding sources and follow through and the plan doesn't collect dust on someone's bookshelf.

Waste of money! No one uses as much as they thought. Worry about clearing street versus a stupid walkway. We have sidewalks for a reason.

I have a concern there is not revenue capturing opportunities being considered beyond economic alignment. Enforcing the creation and maintenance of parks for new residential developments can take the burden off the city. So the city can focus on doing more quality work and programming.

Please include the recently established "Airport Fountain Park" in your inventory of "Mini Parks". It was established by the City Council on April 24, 2023 and it's difficult to tell from the Master Plan if it is included in the City Parks inventory. This park which celebrates Cheyenne's important aviation history can be an important part of fulfilling The "Celebrate Community and Culture" theme and its goal #2 to "Facilitate cultural enrichment." Additionally, caring for and properly maintaining this city park is important in fulfilling the promise in one of the other Themes to be "...Responsible stewards of public...assets." Finally, I ask you to consider the Cheyenne Historic Preservation Board as a partner in helping fulfill the "Increase Park Funding..." Theme. The board was fortunate to receive a private will-bequest that can be used to help fund ongoing maintenance and operation of the Airport Fountain in Airport Fountain Park. Thank you and congratulations on an excellent and inspiring Masterplan!

Please do right by the beautiful and diverse community of Cheyenne. Don't forget that there are many of us with many different backgrounds and cultures.

It would be nice to have more natural areas with ponds and trails for fishing and hiking. Also having bathrooms available year-round.

Please plan an indoor walking facility soon

The park at the brimmer feild is dangerous and needs to be replaced.

Just a waste of money for everyone who has jobs to say they do something

Be true to your word, yoh are only as good as your word and so far the city is blowing it!

We need a very large Recreation Center.

Get rid of it.

No

The City has an increased population of dog and animal owners and there is a severe shortage of safe off-leash dog walking/running areas in the city without driving a significant distance. The proposal of more dog parks, or waiving of the leash ordinance in some areas would be highly valuable to the community.

Volunteering... maybe I missed it. Mobilizing volunteers should be a part of the plan.

Update the equity zones.

Maintain what we have before building more, by using available funding wisely.

Parks and Recreation is Cheyenne's most important asset to its community. Thank you for all that you do!

It's boring, and focuses mostly on middle/ North of town. We have neighborhoods south of Lincolnway.

The map on page 64 is confusing, I don't think the legend accurately represents the colors on the map.

That's a waste of money. The City Council was perfectly capable of making any of these decisions without needing this massive document that's just a whole bunch of corporate and DEI speak. The documents doesn't even end up making any decisions. It just throws the same old conclusions of, hey, here's all these possible funding sources. Some of which aren't even applicable to the legal environment the City of Cheyenne exists in.

Keep as is

The parks are this cities strong points. Thanks for focusing on improving and expanding what we have.

Taxpayers need to hear and see the systemic problems of marginalized park areas : not to see them as one issue concerns . Marketing and narratives are vital to share the importance of community parks and recreational sites.

Looks like a good plan, if it is carried out despite inflationary tendencies in our national/state economies.

Planning only two parks, and a missed opportunity art saddle ridge to add more recreation opportunities

No more focusing on the north side of Cheyenne. It already has everything. Let's spread the love around to the East, West and South of Lincolnway.

### Q10 - Where do you live? - Selected Choice

51 Responses



Q11- Have you previously participated in the Parks and Recreation Master Plan process?

52 Responses



**From:** Vicki Herren  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 11, 2025 4:37 PM  
**To:** Jean Anderson-Shrednik <[jshrednik@cheyennecity.org](mailto:jshrednik@cheyennecity.org)>  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Re: Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Hi Jean,

I enjoyed talking to you this afternoon too, especially about how the Cheyenne High Plains Audubon Chapter can partner with the City of Cheyenne Parks and Recreation Department in Lions Park. After meeting with Brandon Peterson recently, the IBA committee is focusing on the "un-mowed" areas of the park outside of the Botanic Garden areas to enhance habitat and install interpretive signs.

Thank you for sending the updated (but still draft) Master Plan. It looks to me as if the CHPAS activities for Lions Park IBA specifically would fit nicely in Goals 2 and 3 in the Environmental Stewardship section (pages 98 and 99).

Here is some language from Audubon's website about the Audubon Important Bird Area program that you could use in your Master Plan. No need to use all of it. The IBA designation only applies to Lions Park so I am including some specific text from a plan I am writing.

Generic language from Audubon about IBAs -

Important Bird Areas are sites that provide essential habitat to one or more species of birds during some portion of the year (nesting areas, crucial migration stop-oversites, or wintering grounds). National Audubon Society administers the IBA Program in the United States, in coordination with local entities.

Important Bird Areas (IBAs) are exactly what their name implies: places or habitats that are essential for bird populations. The goal of the IBA program is to conserve birds by identifying, monitoring, and protecting critical bird habitats. Because habitat loss is the most serious threat facing bird species across North America and around the world, Audubon's IBA program is a site-based initiative to address habitat loss through community-supported conservation.

From the plan I am writing - Lions Park is an Important Bird Area (IBA) that was identified by CHPAS approximately 25 years ago. One goal of the IBA designation is to conserve these areas for long-term protection of biodiversity. A total of 222 species of birds have been recorded at Lions Park so the goal for CHPAS at the Lions Park IBA is to promote the conservation and appreciation of birds and wildlife through education, science, advocacy and habitat stewardship.

Looking forward to working with you in the future,

Vicki Herren



Cheyenne LEADS Comments

Hey Jeanie!

Great work on the master plan. Thank you for including LEADS in the discussion. Here are a few **recommendations** from LEADS:

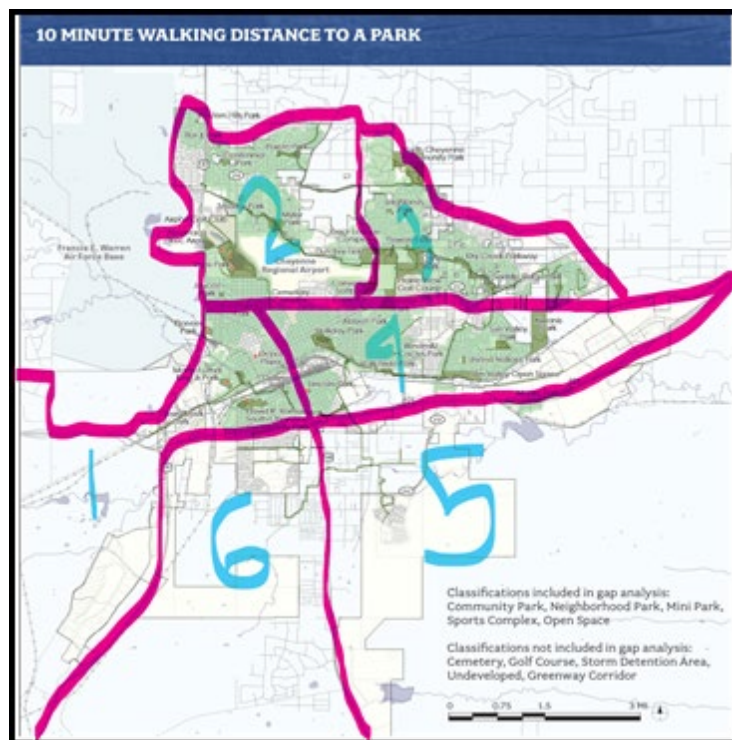
**Recommendations**

**1. Update All Maps to Include the North Range Business Park**

- a. All of the maps in the document need to be updated to demonstrate the North Range Business Park to reflect it's annexation on December 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Also include the property due south of North Range, 'Project Equality', which was annexed in April of 2024. North Range includes a robust greenway network that will further enhance the long-term trail and open space planning for the city.

**2. Establish Geographic Service Areas for Capital Improvements**

- a. To support section 'Meet More Needs' and *Strategy 1.1: Address geographic access gaps in park provisions, the City should create distinct geographic areas to catalogue those capital plans for each area.* These service areas could collect funds from real estate projects within that service area which trigger payment of park fees, reserving those funds for only that service area. Looking at the physical boundaries in Cheyenne, including I-80, I-25 and some major arterials, there could potentially be a many as six districts (example below):



**3. Specify that Park Development Fees are Accrued only on Residential Development Projects**

- a. Modify under the 'Align and Expand Funding' Section, *Strategy 2.1: Revise developer requirement (UDC) for parks, open space, and recreation contributions to provide a fair share of funding to fund increased growth and meet demands.*
  - i. Within this strategy, it is recommended to specify that the developer requirement will only be calculated for residential development projects. This strategy will support the city's ability to revise the UDC's requirement for park fees, prescribing that only residential uses trigger and require payment of park fees. It is common practice for municipalities throughout the country to require park development fees from residential development projects because there is a clear and rational nexus to demonstrate the need for park space from dwelling unit totals.

Let me know if you have any questions. We look forward to seeing it at City Council in February!

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JW Jim Walter To: Jean Anderson-Shrednik Mon 1/6/2025 12:59 PM

Hi Jeannie,

There is no "s" in my last name on page ii

I don't like "Cheyenne's Mission Statement" as it is not the city's but CRE's. I think it should be titled differently,

Pg 5. It's not the Greater Greenway. Either go with "Greenway" or Greater Cheyenne Greenway"

Pg 36. With completion of the Greenway on Wilderness and Dixon in Saddle Ridge, that last bit of Saddle Ridge is now within the walkshed.

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