

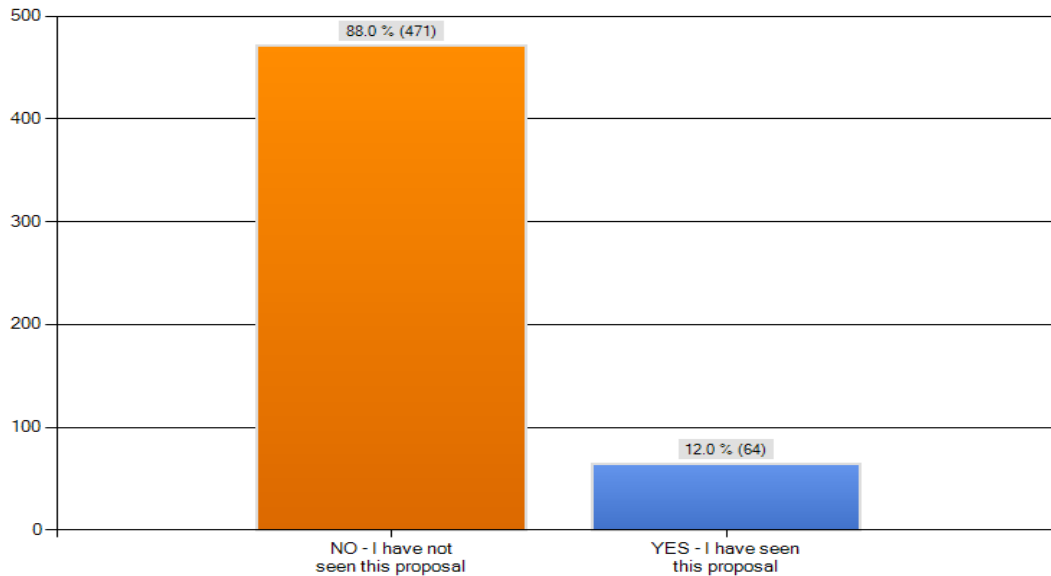
# PRAIRIE DISTRICT NEIGHBORHOOD ALLIANCE

## 16th Street Park Proposal Survey - Interim Results - 09/22/2010

- Survey Sent out September 17th - These results are after 5 days
- Only One Survey allowed per respondent IP. Respondents allowed to edit responses at any time
- Link to informational packet prepared by PDNA included in survey
- Summary Results and Write-in comments all shown below.

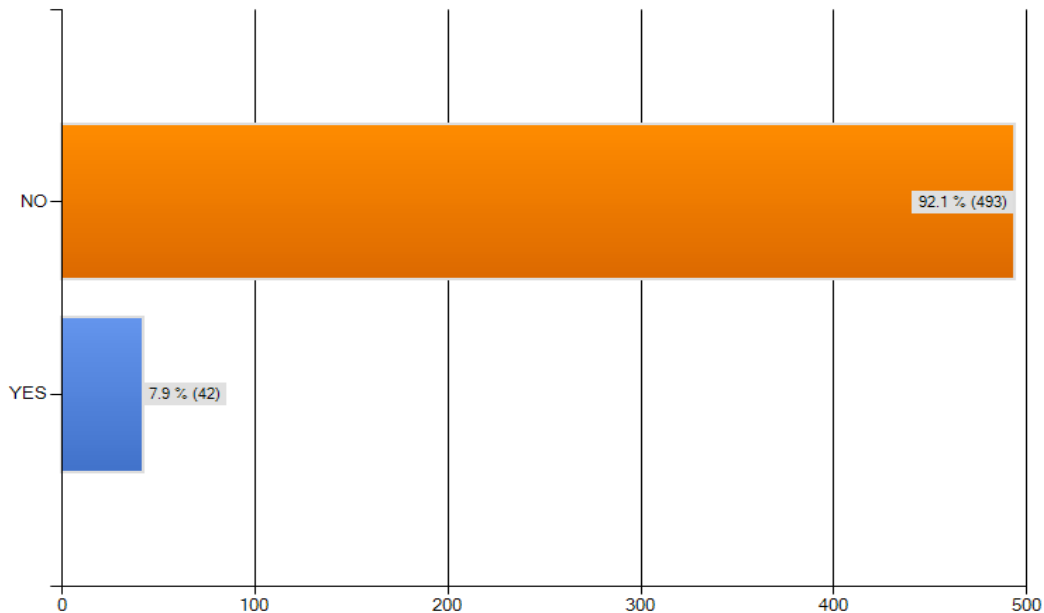
### Question 1:

Prior to today, have you seen details or renderings of this proposal to alter the use and size of the existing publically accessible Park at 16th & Indiana, which calls for elimination of open space to add a private PARKING LOT?



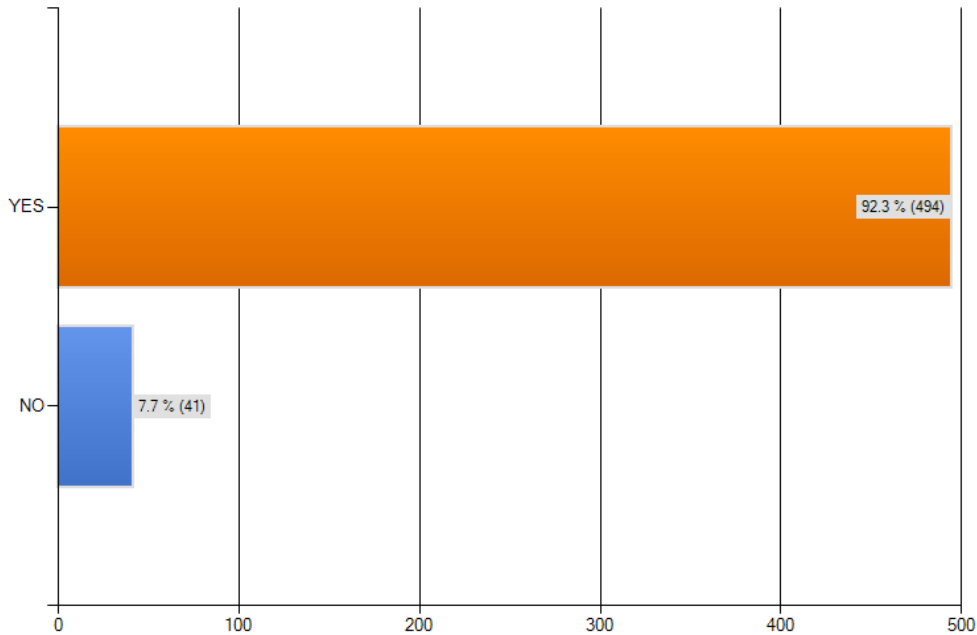
### Question 2 -

As the property at 16th & Indiana is legally zoned to be a "publically accessible Park", do you support eliminating open space by allowing the CONSTRUCTION of a privately owned parking lot in this park? (To be used by Applicant and Leasee weekdays as a commercial parking lot for 1550 S. Indiana)



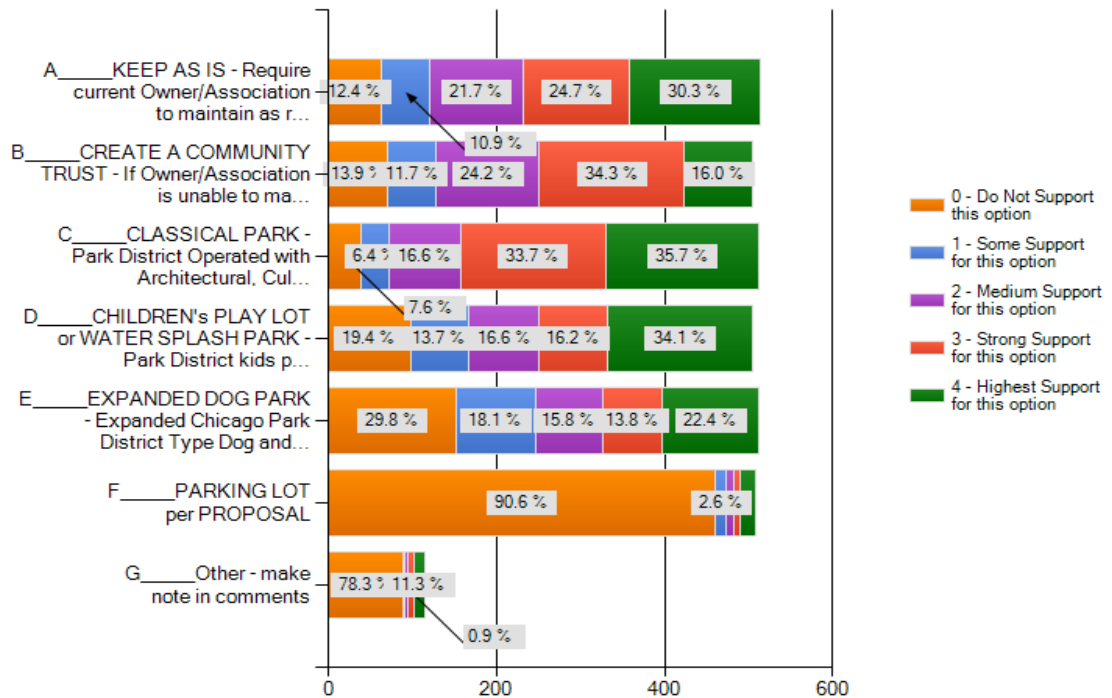
**Question 3 -**

Do you support the Chicago Park District Capital Plans that seek to maintain and improve the existing PARK at 16th & Indiana? (see background in linked packet at <http://www.pdnachicago.com>)



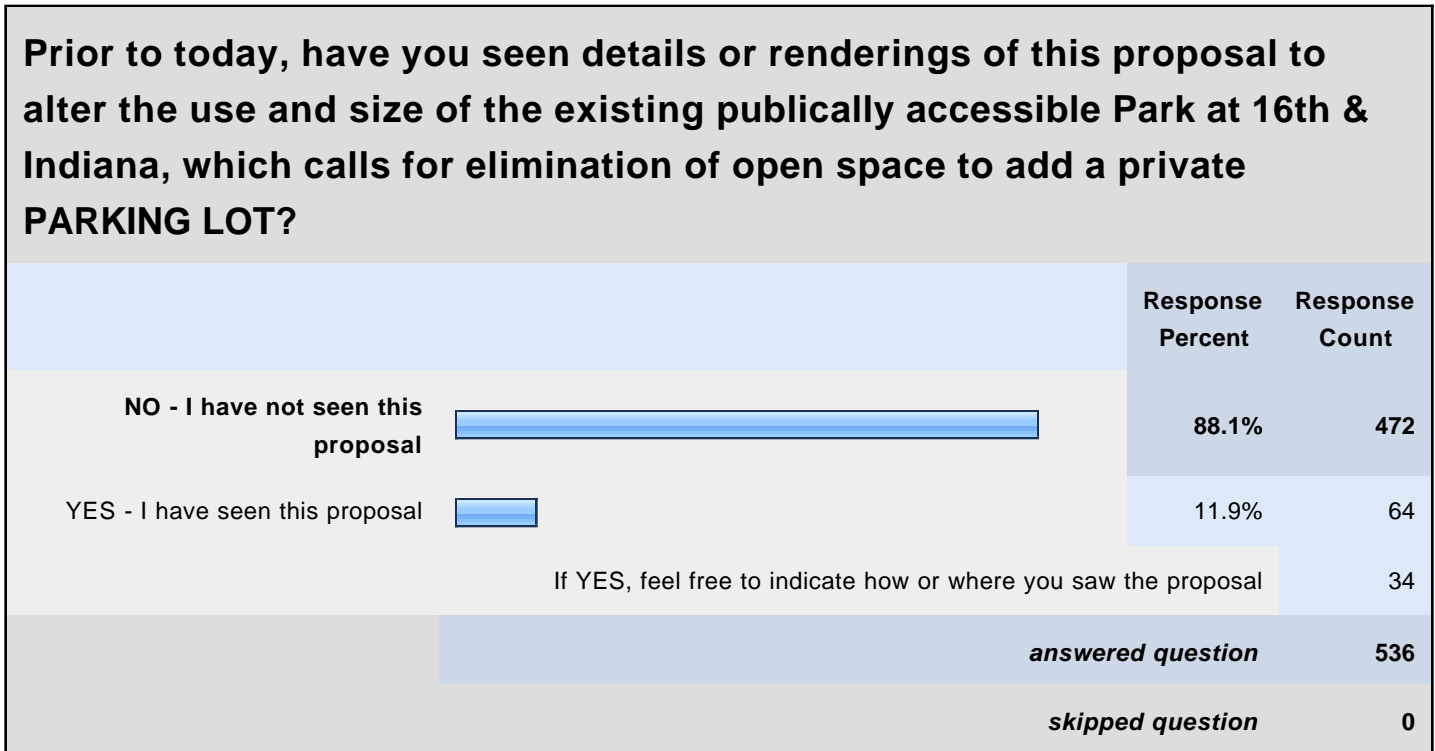
**Question 4 -**

What other Park or Open Space uses for the existing Park at 16th & Indiana would you support if necessary? (Rank Each Option from Zero to 4 with 0 = Do Not Support to 4 = Highest Support)



**QUESTION 5: Number of Respondents Leaving Name - 360 out of 535 (NO Chart included)**

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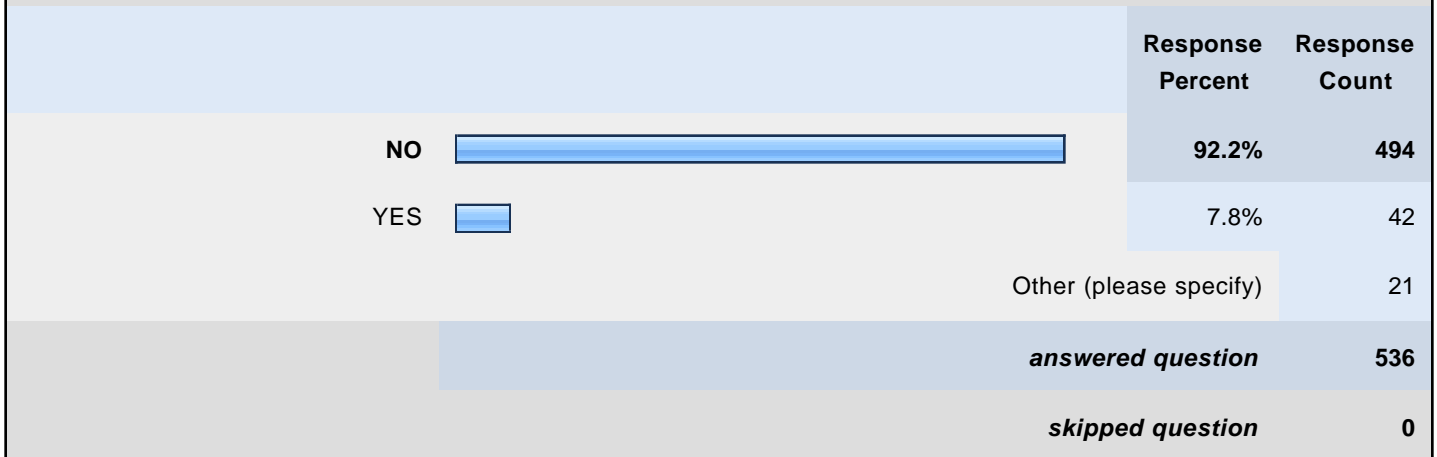


If YES, feel free to indicate how or where you saw the proposal		
1	Disappointed - I want it to stay green space	Sep 17, 2010 6:52 PM
2	link through this survey's email only, so today is the first time I saw them	Sep 17, 2010 6:56 PM
3	I do not need to see renderings to know the diff btw a parking lot and a park. I disapprove.	Sep 17, 2010 6:56 PM
4	I attended your meetings and heard detailed proposals	Sep 17, 2010 6:57 PM
5	email	Sep 17, 2010 6:57 PM
6	included in email	Sep 17, 2010 6:59 PM
7	PDNA	Sep 17, 2010 7:12 PM
8	PDNA and Sloopin	Sep 17, 2010 7:14 PM
9	From PDNA packet	Sep 17, 2010 7:32 PM
10	Got renderings by accident	Sep 17, 2010 8:09 PM
11	presentation	Sep 17, 2010 8:10 PM
12	At a GSLA presentation	Sep 17, 2010 8:38 PM
13	Prairie Pointe presentation	Sep 17, 2010 8:55 PM
14	PDNA	Sep 17, 2010 9:33 PM
15	Yes, the Association that owns this park approached the my Condo Association Board two to three year ago about their plans, seeking support for it. I had no idea this plan had moved further along.	Sep 17, 2010 10:31 PM
16	Via PDNA email	Sep 17, 2010 11:30 PM
17	I do not agree with proposal to use the park as a parking lot.	Sep 17, 2010 11:58 PM
18	Why am I not surprised with this secret Community Development Council	Sep 18, 2010 3:47 AM
19	here	Sep 18, 2010 10:08 AM
20	at a PDNA meeting	Sep 18, 2010 12:32 PM
21	attended our association meeting w/ plan	Sep 18, 2010 12:48 PM

If YES, feel free to indicate how or where you saw the proposal		
22	I am on the board of directors for the 1600 S. Indiana building and some board members from 1600 S. Prairie made a presentation to us.	Sep 18, 2010 2:09 PM
23	i heard of this	Sep 18, 2010 2:30 PM
24	I live in 1550.	Sep 18, 2010 5:18 PM
25	Accessed the link posted above	Sep 19, 2010 2:04 PM
26	Word of mouth	Sep 20, 2010 2:12 PM
27	Approached by neighboring condo association.	Sep 20, 2010 5:38 PM
28	at the Prairie Pointe Building (16th & Prairie)	Sep 20, 2010 6:16 PM
29	At our 1600 Prairie Board meeting	Sep 20, 2010 7:28 PM
30	searching the internet	Sep 21, 2010 12:41 AM
31	Not prior to today, but have reviewed it today.	Sep 21, 2010 1:52 AM
32	GSLA open community meeting	Sep 21, 2010 9:53 PM
33	The Alderman finally turned over the renderings and proposal a few weeks ago to the PDNA	Sep 22, 2010 2:13 PM
34	put under my door yesterday by condo association	Sep 22, 2010 4:42 PM

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Other (please specify)		
1	We need the parking and they will construct it in a way you will still have a park!	Sep 17, 2010 6:51 PM
2	It is multi-use, including public events, and is needed	Sep 17, 2010 6:57 PM
3	undecided - Parkig is needed in area	Sep 17, 2010 6:57 PM
4	public lot	Sep 17, 2010 7:16 PM
5	use as park and parking lot as drawings suggest	Sep 17, 2010 7:59 PM
6	This parking lot proposal smells like rotten fish	Sep 17, 2010 8:09 PM
7	It is private property	Sep 17, 2010 8:38 PM
8	The area around 15 th and 16 th and Indiana should remain residential. The rehab place should move. The sinage they have placed ruins the facade of the building.	Sep 17, 2010 8:48 PM
9	Strongly oppose setting a precedent of rezoning green space	Sep 17, 2010 8:55 PM
10	ABSOLUTELY NOT!	Sep 17, 2010 8:57 PM
11	I can not find the information about *3	Sep 17, 2010 10:32 PM
12	Honestly, I think everybody needs more information. As a Prairie Pointe resident, we have been told that the board has tried for 2 years now to get the Park District to take over the park (one of your options listed), but that the park district is tight on funds and will not. I'm not sure which story is correct, but I do know the board has been search for options that will relieve residents of maintenance costs while keeping the park looking nice. This seems to be a good option if the city will not cooperate.	Sep 18, 2010 1:57 PM
13	are you kidding....we need green feilds	Sep 18, 2010 2:30 PM
14	Yes with modifications. Instead of fountain a kids playground with rubber flooring.	Sep 18, 2010 3:47 PM
15	As of right now, the space is not being used as a park, parking lot, or anything else.	Sep 18, 2010 5:18 PM
16	It would be awful to put a parking lot on such a nice street and nice land.	Sep 18, 2010 5:28 PM

Other (please specify)		
17	I agree that the neighborhood needs more parking, and would support parking spaces if they were available to everyone, not just 1550 S. Indiana, and, if they could be designed to look nice, and integrated with the park space.	Sep 19, 2010 6:23 PM
18	Yes, if it benefits a local business. South Loop businesses need help from the neighborhood, and if this mixed use space (park/parking) will benefit both residents as well as a local business, I'm all for it.	Sep 21, 2010 1:52 AM
19	The entire space on the south and north side of the tracks should be rebuilt into 1 big fantastic park for the this neighborhood that needs it desperately. Alderman, do whats right for the community!!	Sep 22, 2010 2:40 AM
20	PDNA Website	Sep 22, 2010 11:39 AM
21	Attempting to alter the approved and recorded Central Station PD, the Prairie Pointe PD and the Prairie Pointe Condo Association Bylaws, which clearly specify the legal zoning restrictions attached to the park at 16th St and Indiana, would set a very dangerous precedent that any existing park space could be changed. High risk of a legal battle would likely follow.	Sep 22, 2010 2:13 PM

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	<b>0 - Do Not Support this option</b>	<b>1 - Some Support for this option</b>	<b>2 - Medium Support for this option</b>	<b>3 - Strong Support for this option</b>	<b>4 - Highest Support for this option</b>	<b>Response Count</b>
A____KEEP AS IS - Require current Owner/Association to maintain as required Publically Accessible PARK Space (per the existing legal zoning requirements approved in 2003).	12.4% (64)	10.9% (56)	21.7% (112)	24.6% (127)	<b>30.4% (157)</b>	516
B____CREATE A COMMUNITY TRUST - If Owner/Association is unable to maintain the open space as a required Publically Accessible Park per the legal zoning requirements, create a Community Trust to facilitate maintenance and improvement of existing park.	13.8% (70)	11.7% (59)	24.1% (122)	<b>34.2% (173)</b>	16.2% (82)	506
C____CLASSICAL PARK - Park District Operated with Architectural, Cultural, Historical, or Public Art Themed Features.	7.6% (39)	6.4% (33)	16.5% (85)	33.7% (173)	<b>35.8% (184)</b>	514
D____CHILDREN's PLAY LOT or WATER SPLASH PARK - Park District kids playground or water park.	19.4% (98)	13.6% (69)	16.6% (84)	16.2% (82)	<b>34.2% (173)</b>	506
E____EXPANDED DOG PARK - Expanded Chicago Park District Type Dog and larger Off-Leash Area	<b>29.8% (153)</b>	18.1% (93)	15.8% (81)	13.8% (71)	22.6% (116)	514
F____PARKING LOT per PROPOSAL	<b>90.6% (461)</b>	2.6% (13)	1.6% (8)	1.6% (8)	3.7% (19)	509
G____Other - make note in comments	<b>78.3% (90)</b>	0.9% (1)	2.6% (3)	7.0% (8)	11.3% (13)	115
						Other (please specify) ideas or comments 65

Other (please specify) ideas or comments		
1	add portable food kiosks	Sep 17, 2010 6:51 PM
2	There is enough concrete and parking lots in this city not to mention street parking in this neighborhood. The park adds a strong sense of community to the area and make it a more attractive area to live for families.	Sep 17, 2010 6:54 PM
3	From what I have heard in your meetings, this survey does not properly portray the proposal	Sep 17, 2010 6:57 PM
4	Every other neighborhood in gentified areas with a substansial tax base have parks with water features. Its what kids and parents love. Why not the South loop? The need is here.	Sep 17, 2010 6:57 PM
5	No parking lot	Sep 17, 2010 6:59 PM
6	I hope we'll create a community space that can be used by residents of all ages	Sep 17, 2010 7:05 PM
7	there is a huge park at 14th & Prairie already, and no one can ever find parking in the SL anymore. we need somewhere to park.	Sep 17, 2010 7:14 PM
8	My vote will go for a community garden - let's devote at least a good portion of that large grassy space for a "community supported agriculture" project. What a great way to promote sustainability and position the Prairie District Neighborhood as a supporter of the Greening of Chicago. I envision a mixed-use development: explain the dog park slightly, devote a portion of the park for the gardens, and then devote the rest of the park for open space. Thank you for your consideration--	Sep 17, 2010 7:15 PM
9	children's water play lot	Sep 17, 2010 7:16 PM
10	NO PARKING LOT!!!	Sep 17, 2010 7:37 PM
11	Green space with prairie grasses and wildflowers.	Sep 17, 2010 7:46 PM
12	Please keep this space green or as a park with trees and grass, water splash park preferrably. The neighborhood already has so many empty concrete lots and in the immediate vicinity, empty buildings and unused parking lots.	Sep 17, 2010 7:58 PM
13	Seems that a little more parking would be beneficial to the area, but let it still mostly be a park.. a small lot so that recreation atmosphere is maintained for all. Residents in area should be able to park there occasionally (when streets are full for example), not just used for business.	Sep 17, 2010 7:59 PM
14	Community Gardening, make an outdoor seasonal cafe, ice rink, etc.	Sep 17, 2010 8:09 PM
15	PDNA needs to provide facts and not lead the community into assuming their position. Who are you people? How was the survey set up? How many times can someone vote? Your presentation has multiple spelling/gram. errors. You are only serving your own interests - creating a divison between PDNA and people that don't live on Prairie Ave. I hope Fioretti sees who the PDNA for who they really are.	Sep 17, 2010 8:10 PM
16	As a resident of Prairie Pointe, I can say that this has definitely been kept under wraps, like EVERYTHING that goes on with this power-hungry board. Where do they get off thinking they can do this?? And page 20 of the PDNA-prepared PDF just goes to show how conniving this board is--they WANT the park to look bad if kept by the building, so that they can trick residents into thinking they WANT the parking lot. They also HIRED attorneys to essentially fill out a form to re-evaluate last years property taxes--then passed on those atty fees to the residents--hundreds of dollars per unit... ITS NOT HARD TO FILL OUT A PROPERTY TAX REEVALUATION FORM PEOPLE!!!!	Sep 17, 2010 8:15 PM



Other (please specify) ideas or comments		
17	I live in Prairie Pointe and I believe our board president did this without permission, our bylaws do not give him permission to seek to change the zoning. There was never a vote on this by our building. The minutes from the FEBRUARY board meeting when this was discussed were not approved by our board until the end of AUGUST therefore not made viewable to our building until September.	Sep 17, 2010 8:16 PM
18	The PDNA should mind their own business and not write bias and slanted propoganda and try and pass it off as a survey.	Sep 17, 2010 8:38 PM
19	The park is beautiful and should definitely NOT be turned into a parking lot. On the other hand, it doesn't get used enough. SO MANY people in the So. Loop have dogs. And it appears to me that, for the most part, people are very courteous and respectful with their dogs, cleaning up after them and respecting those who don't have dogs. This park would be bursting with use if it were a dog park.	Sep 17, 2010 8:46 PM
20	I strongly support the idea of keeping the entire area green with grass, plants, trees.....limited decoration.	Sep 17, 2010 8:55 PM
21	PARK DISTRICT HEALTH CLUB WITH A LARGE POOL.	Sep 17, 2010 9:02 PM
22	This is the only large area where our dogs can play off leash with grass. The park at Columbus is too far to walk in the winter time. Dogs like grass and it does not harm their paws. This is a great area and we need to keep it available for children and our dogs.	Sep 17, 2010 9:07 PM
23	Consider some limited space for another community garden within the new park	Sep 17, 2010 9:18 PM
24	I do not live in the neighborhood, but act as a docent for tours of the Clarke and Glessner Houses. It's easy for me to support a park, but I defer to thos local residents who may find parking availability far more important than I do. Parking for visitors to the museums is becoming almost impossible, so I can sympathize with residents who don't have access to their own garages.	Sep 17, 2010 10:21 PM
25	I would support a parking structure elsewhere in the South Loop, perhaps on Michigan Avenue since there is virtually no guest parking available in the neighborhood.	Sep 17, 2010 10:23 PM
26	Enough with the kid's parks. Work on something that is appreciated by all age groups.	Sep 17, 2010 10:37 PM
27	I strongly disagree with the idea of turning the area in question into a parking lot.	Sep 17, 2010 11:02 PM
28	There is plenty of park space near by. Otherwise it is just a dog park which they have on the north side of the tracks. Now if you were to change the dog park on the north side making it a people only park then 16th & indiana would be a great replacement for the dog park.	Sep 17, 2010 11:38 PM
29	All new building must provide indoor parking for every unit in their design before building permit is granted.	Sep 18, 2010 12:30 AM
30	As a mother this particular park is a gem! It is a rare space that offers shade, solidtude, & safety. Plus it is a dog free area that helps guarantee less waste issues. I realize Women's Park is similar but it is still nice to have another green space. Although as a dog owner I can appreciate this space being expanded for a larger off-leash area as there is not (a legal) one very close by & this space is a perfect spot. I realize it is not often in use but when I do see families playing flag football, or a Dad practicing a golf swing with his son, I feel a great sense of community & pride that there is such space within the city.	Sep 18, 2010 1:28 AM
31	Community Gardening	Sep 18, 2010 3:47 AM
32	The City and the community do not have now nor will they have in the future the resources to keep or maintain any type of open space. Who are they or we kidding? Besides 16th St. is going to extend to the lake and we will need parking to keep cars on this side of Lake Front. Just my \$.02	Sep 18, 2010 10:08 AM
33	i just love having the green space in the neighborhood! This is the very reason we moved to the area.	Sep 18, 2010 12:48 PM

Other (please specify) ideas or comments		
34	PARKING IS NEEDED IN THE AREA BUT SHOULD BE FOR ALL NOT JUST FOR AN INDIVIDUAL BUILDING	Sep 18, 2010 1:06 PM
35	enough with the dogs.....we should have more respect for the humans we walk by everyday.	Sep 18, 2010 2:30 PM
36	It would be nice to have an area that targets older children such as basketball court or older play equipment. An enclosed larger dog area would be great though...owners must be accountable as some make the rest of us look bad.	Sep 18, 2010 3:39 PM
37	Same parking proposal but instead of fountain area that only homeless will use have a play lot ideally with splash park.	Sep 18, 2010 3:47 PM
38	We do NOT need a parking lot, given there is parking out there (not a lot, but this is a city and therefore people should use CTA).	Sep 18, 2010 3:58 PM
39	Make it a Dog Park!!!	Sep 18, 2010 4:53 PM
40	Regardless, we need more commerce in this area. The last thing we need is to lose a business!	Sep 18, 2010 5:18 PM
41	small dog park.	Sep 18, 2010 5:52 PM
42	NO PARKING LOT	Sep 18, 2010 6:01 PM
43	PDNA should work with Owner/Association and Assessor's office to reduce property tax of the land to an appropriate level.	Sep 18, 2010 10:10 PM
44	This parking lot is private, and should be considered as such. As long as the owners wish to keep the park setting, and make improvements, there are no negative consequences to the community in adding a select number of parking spaces. CPD has declined to take on the park as initially expected, hence the taxes and insurance are paid by the property owners.	Sep 18, 2010 10:32 PM
45	I would vote absolutely not to have a parking lot in this space. This is a residential neighborhood and there is street parking.	Sep 18, 2010 11:07 PM
46	Use this space as good urban green space with a sustainable theme. Perhaps a kids park with an urban farm. There can be holiday harvesting kids activities around this park.	Sep 19, 2010 12:22 AM
47	The city needs more of the Kids Water Parks esp in the South Loop!	Sep 19, 2010 12:40 AM
48	As the South Loop Community grows, so do the families. We need more parks around the area for kids and for nature's sake. I do not support a parking lot. Why??	Sep 19, 2010 3:15 AM
49	Developers should be aware of and plan for these parking squeezes. I say, tough for the after- thoughts,	Sep 19, 2010 4:10 AM
50	Not enough green space in this neighborhood for kids to play, esp. with the influx of new families over the past 5 years or so. In general, dog owners are inconsistent, at best, in cleaning up after their dogs. So any park created for dogs, eliminates the possibility for kids to play, as the park becomes too unsanitary from dog waste that conveniently gets uncollected once the dog relieves itself when more than a few feet away from the owner, who is typically busy talking to other dog owners who are letting their dogs do their business 'unnoticed', as well. For an example of this, please see the dog unsanitary land fill site, aka the Mark Twain park, located at the end 15th street where there is a kids' playground located. Step outside of the playground perimeter and you'll likely step on a dog's landmine, especially in the spring, after the winter thaw. We stopped going to this 'park' with our son years ago because we became tired of washing off our shoes, or our kid if he fell in the grassy area while kicking around a soccer ball, etc. It's been a while since we've been there, but I doubt it has changed for the better in this respect.	Sep 19, 2010 3:23 PM
51	We do need a park swimming pool in the neighborhood and focus on "school age" children as it seems w/out attention to growing w/ our children, we lose families once the children enter school. As a parent of a 10 year old and homeowner in this neighborhood for over 10 years I am concerned we provide "community" for the infants, toddlers, pre schoolers, dog owners and empty nesters.	Sep 19, 2010 6:27 PM

Other (please specify) ideas or comments		
52	Utilize space for a community garden	Sep 20, 2010 3:21 AM
53	I wouldn't mind if there was a private parking lot there, as long as it was well maintained. The current state of that area is heinous, a complete eye sore. So, if they can't create & maintain a nice looking parking garage, a well manicured park should take its place.	Sep 20, 2010 12:31 PM
54	The Assoc tried to maintain this area as a open space for dogs and it was trashed. They can't afford to maintain it on their own and Chic Park Dist wouldn't take it. It's theirs; quite frankly, they should be able to do whatever they want with it. They cannot help that the developer "worked out" a bogus deal with the Haithcock. More parking for business in the area means more business in the area. For god sakes - not another dog park! We have enough dog crap (literally) in the area.	Sep 20, 2010 3:29 PM
55	Allow better access to park area than what is currently provided (somewhat restricted now). Keep as is, with maybe a few improvements, CPD maintained and operated.	Sep 20, 2010 5:22 PM
56	The neighborhood has ample parking space which can be utilized better. For instance, perhaps the space in the Child Welfare Services Building (on 19th & Indiana) can be leased and used for evening and weekend parking rather than converting an existing park space into a parking lot.	Sep 20, 2010 6:52 PM
57	There are so many people with dogs in this area. What better draw to the South Loop than branding the area as "the most dog-friendly neighborhood in Chicago". The existing small dog park is pathetic.	Sep 20, 2010 7:56 PM
58	PLEASE remember that most developers lie, cheat and steal in order to build what they want, then they leave. Why not work with the association to make a mixed use facility (park/parking).	Sep 21, 2010 1:52 AM
59	This is a privately owned park. Why does anyone other than those who are paying for it and the maintenance have any say???	Sep 21, 2010 9:53 PM
60	Please expand the tiny dog park for all the existing and future dog owners in the area. Nothing promotes more community than interaction, which a dog park provides vs a traditional park.	Sep 21, 2010 9:56 PM
61	PLEASE PLEASE put in a water splash park. this community desperately needs one!	Sep 22, 2010 12:49 AM
62	This neighborhood is in need of open space and NOT a private parking lot to benefit one individual. There are hundreds of families that live here and no decent place to take kids to play. It is really pathetic to know the tax \$\$ that is taken in this area and no parks to show for it. Where is the \$\$ going? The Womens Park is a nice tranquil park, but we also need a park with playground equipment for the many kids here. Most other neighborhoods (the new West Loop Park) have very nice parks. Who would consider something as foolish as this?	Sep 22, 2010 2:40 AM
63	Parking is a major problem in this area and taking cars off of the street will help. I see this property from my condo and do not have a problem with the proposal. Many of the suggestions require funding from a place other than the condo association, where will this come from? Note: I could not find the link to the Chicago Park District Capital Plans that would help me answer and this questionnaire would not leave this area blank.	Sep 22, 2010 11:39 AM
64	The vision for this park, which has been documented in the 1994 Near South TIF Policies, the 2003 Near South Community Plan, the 2009 Chicago Central Area Action Plan and the 2008 –2012 Chicago Park District Capital Plans, was to develop this park further or in combination with Mark Twain Park at 15th & Prairie as a key open space amenity for the entire area. We as residents of the area pay a significant amount of taxes (the money to maintain and improve this park is sitting in the near south TIF) and have the right to expect our fair share of high quality parks. All you have to do is look at other neighborhoods around the city to see that we are way over due for a combination kids play/water park/ expanded dog park/ classical park. Now is the time for all of us to be looking at the bigger vision for our community.	Sep 22, 2010 2:13 PM

**Other (please specify) ideas or comments**

65	This should be a park for the kids.....	Sep 22, 2010 3:25 PM
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