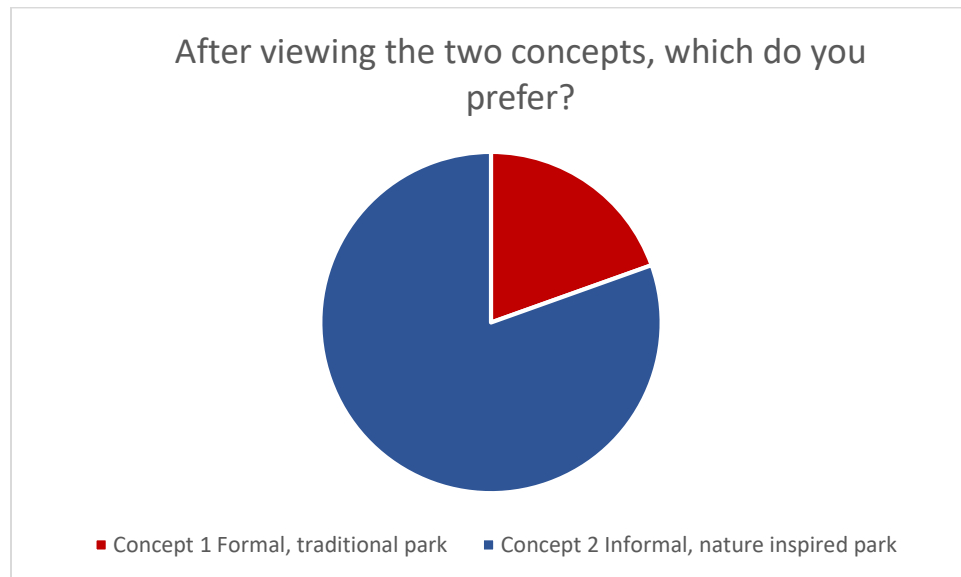


Quarry Lake Engagement Summary:

Survey was sent to Southbridge neighborhood by mail, posted on the City's Facebook page, emailed to those subscribed to the Parks and Recreation email list and emailed to businesses near Quarry Lake Park. **175 residents and visitors took the survey.**



After viewing the two concepts most who took the survey preferred a more informal, natural feel for the new design of the park.

Survey takers were asked to indicate which of the proposed amenities were most important to them regardless of the concept they were shown on. Residents could select as many amenities as they desired. 110 of the 175 survey takers indicated that beach access was the top amenity they would like to see, followed by an accessible kayak and canoe launch and more informal seating.

Pairing these preferences with the desire for the concept 2 – the more informal, nature inspire park, we can infer that survey respondents would like to come to Quarry Lake in smaller groups for more casual use.

What amenities are most important for you?	
Beach access	110
Accessible Kayak and Canoe launch	88
Informal Seating for gathering in smaller groups	83
Kayak Rental or Storage	71
Hammocking areas	52
Formal Seating for events like music in the park	47
Pumptrack	40
Sand Volleyball	33

Survey respondents could also leave additional comments on the park design, which are shown below.

Most of the comments were in the following categories:

- Affirming the choice of concept 2 and/or generally positive sentiment toward the park design.
- Inquiring about the US Hwy 169 pedestrian bridge.
- Asking for additional amenities not shown such as ATV trails, a firepit, or more walking trails.

Do you have any other comments on the park concepts?
We need great seating place for ski shows!!
A path around the lake would be nice.
A pumptrack is VERY IMPORTANT to me. As a member of the Shakopee Mtn Bike Team - and seeing other trails around the state - this would be a HUGE asset to our trail!
A swim platform would be amazing. Think shady oak beach.
A walking trail all around the lake would be nice
Additional reasons Concept 2 is preferred: 1. Fishing pier is separated from swimming area rather than directly adjacent to it. 2. Kayak rental/storage is immediately adjacent to kayak entry area, rather than separated from it. Issues with both concepts: Kayaks enter and exit through the swimming area--it would better to keep these activities separated from each other. One solution in Concept 2 would be to locate the kayak ramp and a 10-15' wide kayak entry/exit area directly in front of the kayak rental/storage and reconfigure the swimming area to exclude the portion of the lake that is adjacent to the 10-15' wide kayak entry/exit area. To ameliorate the loss of swimming area, the beach and swimming area could be widened to the southwest by 10-15' while still maintaining sufficient separation from the relocated pier.
All the pictures are distorted.
Atv trail!
Bigger dock space since everyone goes on the dock with their whole family it gets crowded
Both look nice! I think design 1 is a little better, but would like it even more if it had the pump track.
Concept 1 is found in many places already. Much prefer the uniqueness of Concept 2.
concept 2 looks amazing!! unique and love the informal nature inspired. also thanks for accessibility for seniors and disabilities! wow! great job keep up the good work
Concept 2 seems much better but could the amphitheater seating be added to it?
Considering the fiscal challenges cities will be facing even with park dedication fees available, the City should do everything it can to keep the costs low on this project.
Curious if there will be a pedestrian bridge that will cross over hwy169. That would be real nice for our neighborhood in the southbridge area.
Dock for doggie dock diving practice and competition. This can be lucrative for competition events.
Either option would be amazing.
Enhancements for Scuba!

Fire pit for smaller groups
Fishing piers or docks, please
I like #2 but the "more nature based" makes me think "more trees" making it harder to keep track of kids. The more kid centered activities, the more use we would get out of it. Has a splash pad been considered?
I like both designs, but would likely use the design that allows a team of 30 to get out of the office and create fun through yard games.
I prefer the informal with the rain garden. I like natural, native plantings that encourage birds, butterflies & other pollinators & that encourage family and individual activities.
I really like the idea of being able to get in the water easily from that access point!
I recommend another fishing pier on the other side of the lake. And a bigger one than is currently there. This is a very popular fishing area because of the trout.
I think both ideas are great and I'm looking forward to visiting the park often!!
I visit this park with my young child to go fishing. We enjoy the quietness of the park. Personally, I would rather see a walking path around the lake than a place to swim.
I would appreciate kayak access.
I'm very thankful for this addition and have a preferred concept, however, I ultimately would choose whichever costs less. Both concepts are appealing. Thanks for your work!
In general I would like to express that neither of these options be implemented. There is no need to upgrade the park at this time and instead conserve the money. We are in the middle of a difficult economic time and now is not the time to proceed with these plans.
It seems like we have enough traditional parks in Shakopee and the surrounding area. I like the idea of keeping the park more natural while expanding kayak and canoe access.
It's probably not cost effective, but being able to rent canoes, kayaks and paddle boards and boats would be nice. There needs to be a way to fish off shore for the Trout!
Keep it as nature-y as possible!
Keep it more natural. Our family loves hammocking and having quiet picnics
large amphitheater music already available by the river focus on different things for this park
Love the idea of enhancing this park. Our scout troops would also appreciate if you could add a firepit / campfire area as well.
Love the rain garden and hammock grove idea, I'd love if the whole park could be no spray/poison free!
Main road (hwy 101, 21,18, etc.) signage is needed.
More playgrounds for all ages would be great.
Most important to me is a new playground! We desperately need more playgrounds in Shakopee! Especially by a beach!!
Most parks in the city are of the "formal, traditional" style. A more open, natural park would work better with the mountain bike trail and its users. See Three Rivers Parks.

Need more areas for fishing that are away from potential swimmers and kayakers, whether these are shore-tied floating piers or just cleared areas along the shore, and preferably spread out around the lake. Fishing is popular here and does not need to be put all in one space.
No.
Plant a bee & butterfly garden.
Playground
Playground area for kids, bathroom facility, concession stand
Please have heated bathrooms and drinking water source
Privacy at areas are important especially when considering social distancing and COVID-19 on the rise.
Sand beach instead of gravel beach.
Seating for the Waterski shows.
The nature play area would be cool and it's always nice to see more inclusive playground equipment
The second one is both beautiful and unique and caters to what is not already in the area. The first reminded me too much of Huber Park.
There needs to be a walking and biking trail that goes around the lake! Better, more visible access is needed. This place is so remote who would know it was there or how to get to it? I feel like most people in Shakopee don't even know it exists or what it offers. Never hear anyone talking about it or excited about changes/expansion, etc.
they both look good, i just prefer the second
Walkway over 169 for access to park from southbridge would be my #1 recommendation. Most important aspect of park is people using it.
We've biked to the park and the bike trail just ended. Is there any plans for continuing the bike trail or connecting it to another?
What happened to the pickleball courts on this survey?
What is the plan/timing for the pedestrian/bike bridge over 169 connecting the Southbridge development to this park (and to the other trail network)? I believe it's been over 15 years since it was proposed.
Will there be security cameras? We had some arson damage on Westchester park and what I suspect is some narcotic dealings pretty much on going and Westchester is hardly what you would call secluded, this park would invite those seeking a secluded area to conduct business.
Worry a bit about beach. As water is so deep, if people don't understand the drop off of quarry lake could be very dangerous