# **Athletic Field Improvements at Deerpath Community Park**

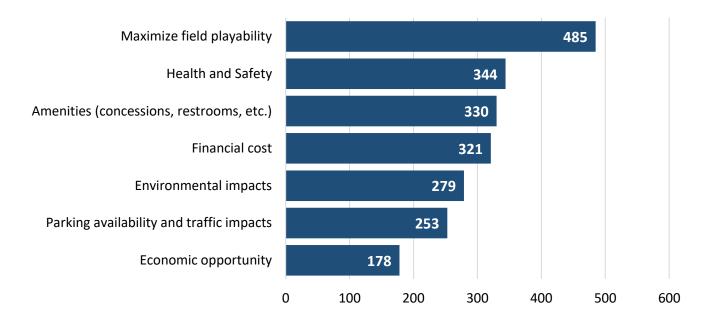


**Survey Results** 

The following report analyzes resident feedback collected in a CityAsks survey on athletic field improvements at Deerpath Community Park. The survey was designed by Zencity and shared by the City of Lake Forest. It was conducted from October 15-23, 2021 and received 761 unique responses, 730 from self-identified Lake Forest residents. Responses from the 31 self-identified non-residents are not included in this summary.

## What are your top three criteria for evaluating options for athletic field improvements at Deerpath Community Park?

730 out of 730 answered



### What is most important to you when considering improving athletic fields at Deerpath Community Park?

688 out of 730 answered

In-depth analysis of responses to the open-ended question reveals the following themes:\*

- Synthetic turf (191 responses): Most respondents within this group requested synthetic turf fields and claimed it will allow using the fields even in rainy or wet conditions; some also mentioned that other communities have them. Fewer respondents stated that they prefer natural grass.
- Availability and playability (156 responses): Most respondents requested to adapt the fields to be
  available and playable year-round. Some also asked for multi-use fields that will serve different parts of
  the community.
- **Environmental impacts (97 responses):** Respondents discussed the negative ecological impact of the possible project, and some specifically mentioned the detrimental effects of artificial turf in this context.
- **Health and safety (82 responses):** Some respondents requested to prioritize players' health and ensure the fields are safe.

- **Financial cost (57 responses):** A few respondents raised concerns about the project's cost and requested that money be spent carefully so the project would not entail a tax increase.
- **Drainage issues (32 responses):** Some respondents specifically mentioned drainage problems at the fields and requested improvement.
- Amenities (20 responses): A few respondents mentioned the need for good amenities, focusing on restrooms and adequate parking.

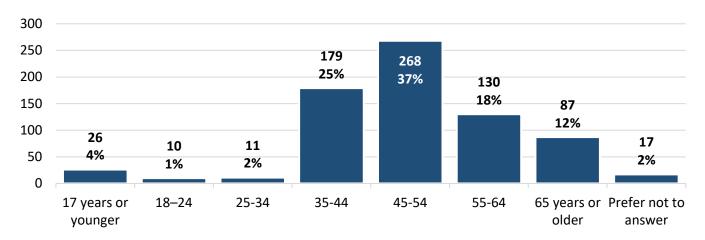
Additionally, a few responses maintained that the fields should be competitive with neighboring communities.

\*Note that respondents may have specified more than one issue in their response. Each issue named in a single response is accounted for in Zencity's analysis of the open-ended question.

#### **Demographic Information**

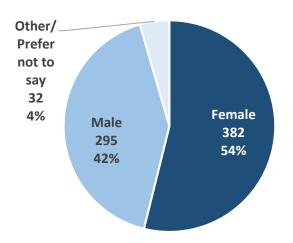
#### To what age group do you belong?

728 out of 730 answered



### What is your gender?

709 out of 730 answered



#### How long have you lived in Lake Forest?

729 out of 730 answered

