

## CITY OF BETHANY SURVEY

### A. INTRODUCTION

In 2018, the City of Bethany purchased a 17.6-acre parcel of land located between the Babe Adams ballfield and Bulldog Avenue. Mayor Jonne Slemmons has convened a Land Advisory Committee to collect ideas and information, and make recommendations to the City Council on future uses to serve a broad range of citizen age groups, consider the timing of development, and possible funding options.

It is important to note that the Bethany residents and leaders of the 1920's and 1930's made a contribution to ensure that a location for family fun and exercise, reunions, and holiday celebrations such as the 4th of July and the Holidays, would have a venue to bring the community together. That contribution was Memorial Park. In much the same way, you now have an opportunity to provide input to the City Council on what types of facilities should be added to best serve the needs of future residents and visitors.

This survey invites you to share your ideas and input on these topics, whether you live within the City limits, or come to Bethany for work, shopping, school events or other activities. We appreciate your time in taking this survey! **--- One survey per household, please ---**

### B. DEMOGRAPHICS

1. Please indicate the ages of individuals in your household:
- |  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="radio"/> Age 1 - 11       | # of individuals: Male ___ Female ___ |
| <input type="radio"/> Age 12 - 19      | # of individuals: Male ___ Female ___ |
| <input type="radio"/> Age 20 - 39      | # of individuals: Male ___ Female ___ |
| <input type="radio"/> Age 40 - 59      | # of individuals: Male ___ Female ___ |
| <input type="radio"/> Age 60 - 79      | # of individuals: Male ___ Female ___ |
| <input type="radio"/> Age 80 and above | # of individuals: Male ___ Female ___ |

2. Residence:
- Within the Bethany city limits
  - Outside Bethany, but work/shop in Bethany
  - Once per week
  - 2-3 times per week
  - 5 times or more per week

3. How satisfied are you with the recreational opportunities currently available in Bethany? (1= Not at all satisfied, 10= Completely satisfied)
- 1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8   9   10

4. If you commute for your recreation, how often do you do so, and how far do you travel? \_\_\_\_\_

5. How often would you use an indoor recreation facility, if it was available?

6. If there are young people in your household, are they involved in organized sports in Bethany? Check all that apply.
- Yes, through school
  - Yes, outside of school
  - No organized sports

**C. RANK THE FACILITY OPTIONS & IDEAS RECEIVED TO DATE**

We have collected several ideas from people we've talked to. Some could be implemented at existing facilities or parks, or at the new land. Please rank the ideas we've collected so far, with "1" being your most preferred option. If you would like to see a combination of two or more options, please assign them the same number. (See options on next page.)

- \_\_\_ Ballpark
- \_\_\_ Paved Outdoor Walking/Biking Trail(s)
  - \_\_\_ Overpass to High School
  - \_\_\_ Connect to other trails (Boy Scout Trail, 39th Street sidewalks, other)
- \_\_\_ New Gym/Community Center
  - Options include:
    - \_\_\_ Community Room w/Kitchen
    - \_\_\_ Indoor Pool for lap swim/water aerobics
    - \_\_\_ Basketball court(s) with bleachers
    - \_\_\_ Gym - weights, exercise machines
    - \_\_\_ Indoor walking track
    - \_\_\_ Racquetball courts
    - \_\_\_ Climbing wall: Indoor \_\_\_ Outdoor \_\_\_
    - \_\_\_ Shower facilities
    - \_\_\_ Locker facilities
    - \_\_\_ Meeting rooms
    - \_\_\_ Pickleball courts (indoor)
- \_\_\_ Gazebo Gathering Area - Picnic and/or Performance Stage (possibly with hillside seating, restrooms, water fountains, other?)
- \_\_\_ Soccer/Flag Football Field
- \_\_\_ Frisbee Golf Course
- \_\_\_ Pickle Ball Courts - Outdoor
- \_\_\_ Gaga Ball
- \_\_\_ Corn Hole Courts
  - \_\_\_ Indoor
  - \_\_\_ Outdoor

- \_\_\_\_\_ Horse Shoe Pit(s)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Dog Park
- \_\_\_\_\_ T-Ball Field
- \_\_\_\_\_ Volleyball/Badminton Courts

**D. WHAT OTHER OPTIONS WOULD YOU LIKE US TO CONSIDER?**

Please share your ideas for other options you would like to see, and any modifications to the above list that we should consider.

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

---

**E. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS APPLICABLE TO ALL/MOST OPTIONS**

The following items are considered essential for all/most options, and should be included in planning:

- Parking
- Concessions
- Restrooms
- Cleaning/Maintenance Storage
- Sports Equipment Storage
- Picnic Tables
- Drinking Fountains
- Outdoor lighting
- ADA Accessibility
- Computer for scheduling, record-keeping

Liability insurance  
Employee staffing - salary & benefits

Are there any other "accessory facilities" that we should consider?

---

---

**F. HOW SHOULD THE CITY PAY FOR THESE FACILITIES?**

We expect to have detailed discussions in the future on funding options, but we would appreciate learning about your preferences. Recognizing that there would be construction, staffing and maintenance costs, please rank your preferred funding options, with "1" being most preferred. If you would like to see a combination of funding options, please rank them with the same number.

\_\_\_ "TAP" Grant, such as Safe Routes to Schools, or Multi-Use Pedestrian/Bike Trails. City would have to pay between 20% - 40% of total costs. For this option, an additional funding option (below) is required.

\_\_\_ Usage fees, varying depending on the spot facility used.

\_\_\_ Event Pass: Cost variable depending on the event

\_\_\_ Monthly Pass: What is a reasonable monthly charge? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Quarterly Pass: What is a reasonable 3-month charge? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Annual Pass: What is a reasonable yearly charge? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Increase Parks & Recreation tax by a small amount, so it is automatically collected. The current tax is ½-cent per dollar.

\_\_\_ Issue a new municipal bond(s).

\_\_\_ Other: Please specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Is there anything else you would like us to know? \_\_\_\_\_

---

---

---

---

**Your time and effort to fill out this survey is very much appreciated.  
Please mail or drop it off at City Hall (206 N. 16th Street, Bethany MO  
64424) by December 31, 2019, so your input can be included.**

**THANK YOU!**