

## TOWN OF QUEEN CREEK FIVE- PARKS MASTER PLAN

**Public Open House No. 3**  
**February 6, 2007, 6:00pm**  
**Location: Queen Creek Town Hall**

### OPEN HOUSE SUMMARY

The public open house was held to present alternative master plan concepts for each of the five planned future park sites. The open house was an opportunity for the community to give their opinions and provide feedback on the alternatives developed for each of the five park sites. Attendees were encouraged to review the alternative plans and fill out comment forms that were provided at the open house. A copy of this form is attached. Approximately 40-50 people attended this event. This event was advertised by the Town through the Five Park Master Plan newsletter that was mailed to all town residents. This newsletter is the first in a series designed to inform the community about the project and important public participation opportunities. The event was also advertised on the Town's website.

Three alternative site plans were developed for the West Park, East Park, Sossaman/Cloud Park and Chandler Heights Park and two alternative site plans were developed for San Marqui Park. Other graphic displays presented included an overall Town map with the location of each park highlighted, an exhibit board for each park site which included an aerial photo of the park and its surrounding areas, and a graphic display for each park site depicting opportunities and constraints (which were presented at the Steering Committee meeting held on October 10, 2006).

Representatives from EPG and J2 were present to discuss the alternative plans, concerns, preferences, special conditions, etc. for each of the park sites. The design team received information and input from community members regarding the alternatives presented by direct conversations as they reviewed the displays but primarily by input included on comment sheets which each participant was asked to complete. The design team specifically requested attendees to fill out a comment form which instructed them to rank the alternatives (favorite to least favorite) for each park site and answer questions pertaining to each park site alternatives. The information from the comment sheets has been summarized in a matrix which ranks the favorite alternatives for each of the park sites and lists the responses made to each of the questions noted on the comment form. Following is a summary of the input received:

#### EAST PARK

Plan	Ranking
<b>First Favorite</b>	
Alternative A	2
Alternative B	11
Alternative C	2

<b>Second Favorite</b>	
Alternative A	2
Alternative B	3
Alternative C	7

<b>Least Favorite</b>	
Alternative A	6
Alternative B	1
Alternative C	4

**Comments regarding Alternative A when ranked #1**

**1. What do you like MOST about Alternative A?**

- Very nicely laid out
- I really like the accessibility – looks like sm park with loop road

**2. What do you like LEAST about Alternative A?**

- Possible too much pavement; would like to see lake incorporated with this

**3. What would you change in Alternate A to make it better (including adding amenities from the other alternatives for this site)?**

- Convert one set of BB courts to tennis

**4. Do you have any other comments or suggestions about Alternative A and this park site?**

- Would like to add batting cages with machines; we really need to be careful about mosquito problem

**Comments regarding Alternative B when ranked #1**

**1. What do you like MOST about Alternative B?**

- Use of the “collector road” for access and the lake
- Play area & lake
- Lake w/ fishing
- Lake
- More multi-use fields and lake
- Ballfields – ingress – egress, parking; multi-use field – addition of lake; rec center
- Lots of multi-use fields
- I like the lake
- Lake will be a nice visual
- Lake if it's stocked
- I like the layout better & the splitting of the parking lot

**2. What do you like LEAST about Alternative B?**

- No amenities directly outside of rec center (parking, streets, & fire station surround it)
- Less parking by MU fields
- Size of Public Works yard

- Qty. of parking @ multi-use
- No racketball courts
- N/a

**3. What would you change in Alternate B to make it better (including adding amenities from the other alternatives for this site)?**

- Move group ramada nearer to play area
- Add racquetball courts
- Less soccer fields
- Smaller Public Works
- Possibility of retail services near fields; add'l. batting cages
- No
- Racketball courts

**4. Do you have any other comments or suggestions about Alternative B and this park site?**

- No
- I like the lake

**Comments regarding Alternative C when ranked #1**

**1. What do you like MOST about Alternative C?**

- All the fields

**2. What do you like LEAST about Alternative C?**

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**3. What would you change in Alternate C to make it better (including adding amenities from the other alternatives for this site)?**

- Add racquetball courts

**4. Do you have any other comments or suggestions about Alternative C and this park site?**

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**WEST PARK**

<b>Plan</b>	<b>Ranking</b>
<b>First Favorite</b>	
Alternative A	17
Alternative B	7
Alternative C	3

<b>Second Favorite</b>	
Alternative A	4
Alternative B	9
Alternative C	4

<b>Least Favorite</b>	
Alternative A	3
Alternative B	3
Alternative C	10

**Comments regarding Alternative A when ranked #1**

**1. What do you like MOST about Alternative A?**

- Water feature
- Recognition feature, water & lake
- Location of Rec Center & 5ac lake. Distance from ballfield & multi-use fields
- Large lake; squash area next to rec center
- Need for American Legion Post and memorial. Meeting rooms can bring in other org. e.g. I.O.O.F. and community involvement
- Logical layout of facilities
- Natural area, big enough for multiple use, and build a building
- Location of everything
- Size of the lake – smaller lake
- Water/recognition features
- Overall
- Recognition site (veterans memorial)
- Veterans memorial site – good parking & good accessibility
- Lights at the fields
- 5 ac lake for fishing

**2. What do you like LEAST about Alternative A?**

- No Legion Post building
- No fishing pier, need more restroom facilities – 1 between lake & panhandle. No tennis courts
- Need to move eq. trailhead
- No American Legion Post
- None of the alternatives allow space for service club multi-use building
- Use of area for Frisbee golf is I think miss use of area.
- There is no American Legion Post
- Rec Center not centralized
- Lack of turf area around lake
- No American Legion Post. Place for community activities operated by Legion
- Needs American Legion Post bldg.

**3. What would you change in Alternate A to make it better (including adding amenities from the other alternatives for this site)?**

- Legion Post building
- Bldg. for multi-purpose (Am. Legion)
- Fishing pier, restroom near ramadas, 2 volleyball and 2 tennis courts
- Combine A & B
- A large American Legion Post that can accommodate boy/cub scout meetings
- American Legion Post & memorial park

- Allow American Legion (area where Frisbee golf and recognition feature is slated) space for multi-use building
- Build a building that the American Legion and other non-Pacifist groups to use and a Veteran Memorial
- I would like to see a soap box derby course
- Possibly move Rec Center closer to activities
- Add American Legion Post
- Memorial site inc. a Post 129 Bldg.
- Would like to see this site use for a veterans memorial and American Legion Post. For meeting place and function hall. Were QC doesn't have many places to hold wedding etc.
- Remove recognitions feature and build American Legion/Boy Scout Post

**4. Do you have any other comments or suggestions about Alternative A and this park site?**

- Veterans memorial
- In Rec. Center: 1 arcade area, 4 pingpong tables, 3 pool tables, 3 racketball courts, 1 swimming pool, 3 indoor basketball, 1 BMX track
- I like opt. B for the rec center/skate park/other but don't like small lake w/ minimal picnic family area
- Lake should be stocked
- Great plans
- Why do we have to wait 4-6 years to wait for this to be done
- I would like to show a Powerpoint on what the legion would like to see
- None
- Concern about security/safety @ northwest turf area
- No
- The 8 acre strip where the recognition site is not useful for general park activities. A post & memorial would be ideal for this site.
- Bldg. large enough to accommodate other community organizations such as Scouts – Lions – Elks etc. etc.

**Comments regarding Alternative B when ranked #1**

**1. What do you like MOST about Alternative B?**

- Layout – very nice; Really like the idea for a memorial for the vets
- Rec center in middle
- Bridge & # of fields & location of Rec. center location
- The layout of the whole park
- 4 multi-use fields

**2. What do you like LEAST about Alternative B?**

- Wasted space in panhandle area
- Too crowded in parking lot
- The skate park is hidden from roadway visibility

**3. What would you change in Alternate B to make it better (including adding amenities from the other alternatives for this site)?**

- Add racquetball courts
- Racketball courts

**4. Do you have any other comments or suggestions about Alternative B and this park site?**

- Would like to add a post to this park for the Boy Scouts to call their own

**Comments regarding Alternative C when ranked #1**

**1. What do you like MOST about Alternative C?**

- Open tree a place to relax
- Equestrian trailhead next to parking & lake; ballfields next to trailhead would scare horses

**2. What do you like LEAST about Alternative C?**

- No veteran park
- Open turf

**3. What would you change in Alternate C to make it better (including adding amenities from the other alternatives for this site)?**

- American Legion Post & veteran memorial
- Add racquetball courts
- Add Frisbee gold within open turf

**4. Do you have any other comments or suggestions about Alternative C and this park site?**

- The American Legion supports their community but need a home to raise money so it can
- No

**SOSSAMAN/CLOUD**

<b>Plan</b>	<b>Ranking</b>
<b>First Favorite</b>	
Alternative A	6
Alternative B	2
Alternative C	7

<b>Second Favorite</b>	
Alternative A	3
Alternative B	7
Alternative C	2

<b>Least Favorite</b>	
Alternative A	5
Alternative B	2
Alternative C	4

**Comments regarding Alternative A when ranked #1**

**1. What do you like MOST about Alternative A?**

- Skate park
- Skate, facility & open turf
- Maximize turf area for non-lighted multi-use fields
- Skate park
- The grass area & skate park
- I like the skate park at this layout; break up the fields a little

**2. What do you like LEAST about Alternative A?**

- No ballfields
- Skate area
- Needs more ramadas

**3. What would you change in Alternate A to make it better (including adding amenities from the other alternatives for this site)?**

- Add ballfields & lights
- Maximize turf area for non-lighted multi-use fields

**4. Do you have any other comments or suggestions about Alternative A and this park site?**

- Council was shortsighted in giving up on lights & ballfields at this site
- Site too small for water; most open turf
- I like the lake in the # Alt C

**Comments regarding Alternative B when ranked #1**

**1. What do you like MOST about Alternative B?**

- Multiple use capabilities
- The parking lot and common areas are visible from Sossaman Rd.

**2. What do you like LEAST about Alternative B?**

- The dog park
- Maximize turf area for non-lighted multi-use fields

**3. What would you change in Alternate B to make it better (including adding amenities from the other alternatives for this site)?**

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**4. Do you have any other comments or suggestions about Alternative B and this park site?**

- I don't like the hidden parking lot in Option A

**Comments regarding Alternative C when ranked #1**

**1. What do you like MOST about Alternative C?**

- Dog area 3 sections to rotate use w/ one main area to enter
- Lake with fish stock
- Seems less obtrusive
- The lake for dogs
- Lake

**2. What do you like LEAST about Alternative C?**

- No water features for dogs; no skate/BMX area
- It's happening and the traffic on Cloud Road will increase above its present increase
- Can't think of anything

**3. What would you change in Alternate C to make it better (including adding amenities from the other alternatives for this site)?**

- Move fire station to the south – away from houses
- By far – rubberized asphalt on Sossaman Road, between Riggs and Chandler Heights. Include this in budget. Work with Road Department if needed.
- Would like fire station on south side of park

**4. Do you have any other comments or suggestions about Alternative C and this park site?**

- Combine all three: BMX, 3 areas for dogs plus water features
- Rubberized asphalt on Sossaman Road
- There will be more noise because of more traffic – regardless of which plan. Traffic is already growing at alarming rate. At the very least – decrease the annoying traffic noise w/ rubberized asphalt

**SAN MARQUI**

<b>Plan</b>	<b>Ranking</b>
<b>First Favorite</b>	
Alternative A	6
Alternative B	9

<b>Second Favorite</b>	
Alternative A	6
Alternative B	5



**Comments regarding Alternative A when ranked #1**

**1. What do you like MOST about Alternative A?**

- These are all very similar – no preference
- Larger turf area
- Simplest plan
- More grass

**2. What do you like LEAST about Alternative A?**

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**3. What would you change in Alternate A to make it better (including adding amenities from the other alternatives for this site)?**

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**4. Do you have any other comments or suggestions about Alternative A and this park site?**

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**Comments regarding Alternative B when ranked #1**

**1. What do you like MOST about Alternative B?**

- Less turf area, more natural
- Less turf & more natural & hitching rails near restroom
- I like the open area
- I like the open grass area
- I like the opens in this layout
- The layout

**2. What do you like LEAST about Alternative B?**

- Curve in wash worries me

**3. What would you change in Alternate B to make it better (including adding amenities from the other alternatives for this site)?**

- It's beautiful
- More natural trail or path

**4. Do you have any other comments or suggestions about Alternative B and this park site?**

- N/a
- No

## CHANDLER HEIGHTS

Plan	Ranking
<b>First Favorite</b>	
Alternative A	2
Alternative B	2
Alternative C	12

<b>Second Favorite</b>	
Alternative A	3
Alternative B	9
Alternative C	1

<b>Least Favorite</b>	
Alternative A	9
Alternative B	2
Alternative C	1

### **Comments regarding Alternative A when ranked #1**

**1. What do you like MOST about Alternative A?**

- The overall balance of the turf areas distributed over the grounds

**2. What do you like LEAST about Alternative A?**

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**3. What would you change in Alternate A to make it better (including adding amenities from the other alternatives for this site)?**

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**4. Do you have any other comments or suggestions about Alternative A and this park site?**

- Thank you, thank you for attention to equestrian interests!! My concerns are: #1) safe crossing over Sossaman with a horse to access the park on the trail, #2) please use all non-slip surfaces – I know of a rider whose horse fell with her @ Desert Mountain park as she was going toward the restroom – the surface was too slick & horse fell with rider

### **Comments regarding Alternative B when ranked #1**

**1. What do you like MOST about Alternative B?**

- I like where the playground is placed; I like the open placement of the turf, more equestrian friendly

**2. What do you like LEAST about Alternative B?**

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**3. What would you change in Alternate B to make it better (including adding amenities from the other alternatives for this site)?**

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**4. Do you have any other comments or suggestions about Alternative B and this park site?**

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### **Comments regarding Alternative C when ranked #1**

**1. What do you like MOST about Alternative C?**

- Seems to show the stage stop history more in the theme of the park
- No turf on Sossaman, more natural, historic presence very meaningful
- Historical buildings
- Playground is away from the historic state stop site and allows for future historic recognition with the Sossaman houses
- More room for historical interpretations
- The opportunity to add historical interpretive components. Turf area layout improves multi-use
- The open grass area
- Historic building area & playground area
- Historical area

**2. What do you like LEAST about Alternative C?**

- Equestrian area too large
- Will present need for partnership with other organizations – look for donations of historical bldgs/items
- Access drive is near historic site
- Not as much grass

**3. What would you change in Alternate C to make it better (including adding amenities from the other alternatives for this site)?**

- Focus more on the history of the area
- Nothing
- No changes recommended

**4. Do you have any other comments or suggestions about Alternative C and this park site?**

- History of area is important. Keep it as the focal point of the park
- Appreciate the opportunity to share ideas and opinions
- Ensure adequate decel & accel lanes @ entry from Sossaman
- No