

# Thank you for joining us for the Fitzsimons Park Community Meeting #2.

With a project budget of \$900,000 and your help, the City of Evanston is working to make meaningful improvements to v Park.

Our first community meeting was held on May 22, 2025.



During the first meeting, attendees viewed a short presentation outlining three concept plans and several playground options. Participants then had the opportunity to review display boards at their own pace and vote on their preferred theme, layout, and playground equipment.

After the meeting a follow-up online survey, featuring the same content, was distributed to gather additional community feedback.

## Meeting and Survey Winners:

Color Scheme - Nature Playground- Option 1



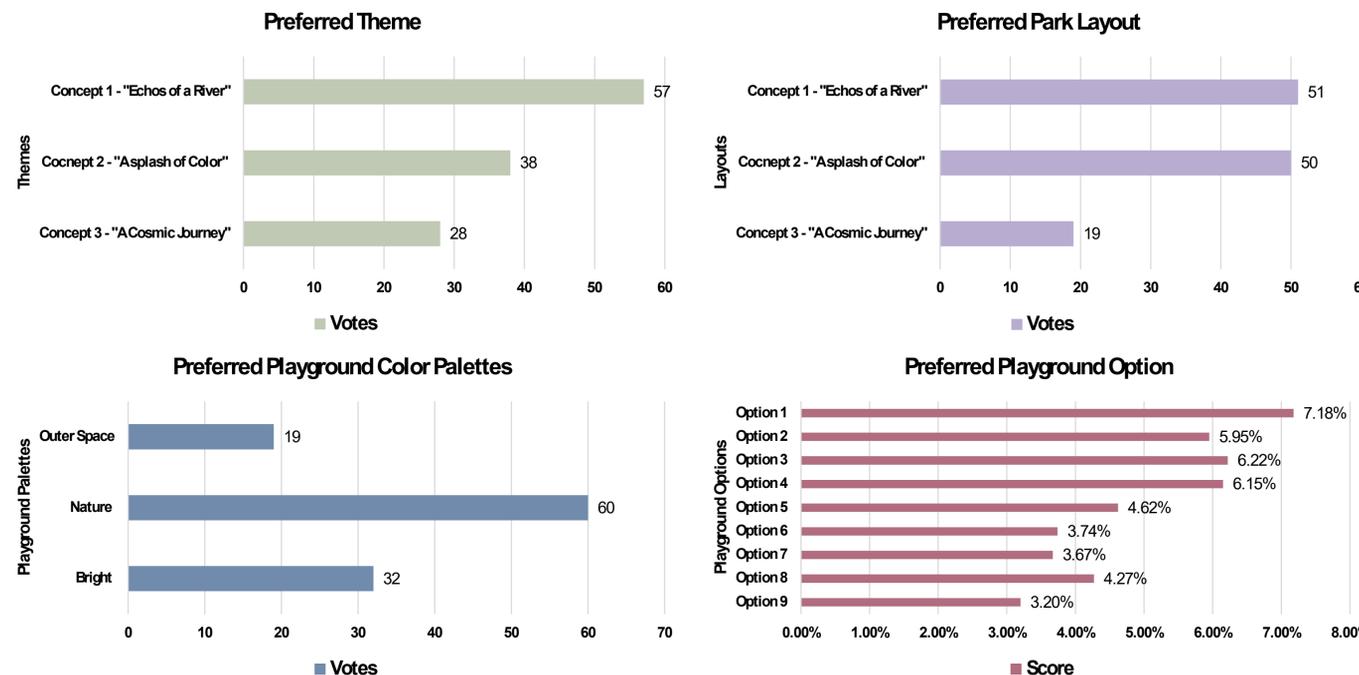
Theme and Layout - Concept 1



The combined results of both the in person meeting 1 and online survey are summarized below:

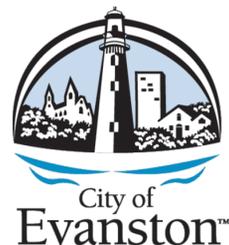
1. Theme preference was Echoes of a River.
2. The preferred park layout was Concept 1, Echoes of a River, with Concept 2 as a close second.
3. Among the nine playground design options presented: Options 1-4 were all highly rated and very closely matched with Option 1 being slightly ahead.
4. The preferred color palette was Nature Theme.

Additional feedback from the community, gathered through comments and discussions, included strong support for the gaga pit. Residents expressed interest in more climbing features and emphasized the importance of an accessible playground. Requests also included increased seating, shade, and more than one bike rack.



## Timeline

This project is divided into four phases:



We are here!

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FITZSIMONS PARK

**Bench with Companion Seating**  
- 1 Bike Rack

**Existing Fence to Remain**

**Park Entrance**  
- Existing Sign to Remain

**Existing Trees to Remain**  
**Transplanted Trees - 5**

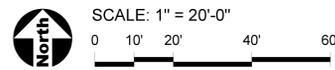
**Existing Trees to Remain**  
**Tree Cookie Path**

**Picnic Area**  
- 2 Picnic Tables  
- 1 Shade Sail

**Resurfaced Existing Walk**  
- Asphalt Paving

**Drinking Fountain**  
- 1 Drinking Fountain with 2 Bowls and 1 Bottle Filler

ELMWOOD AVENUE



**Ornamental Fence**



**Playground**  
- Nature Inspired Equipment  
- Engineered Wood Fiber Surfacing  
- Tree Cookie Walk

**Native Landscape Planting**  
- Swaths of flowering perennials mimic the meandering drifts of a wetland



**Interpretive Sign Along the Landscape Bed**



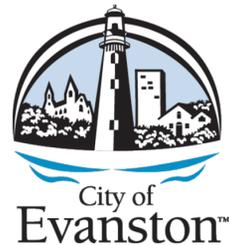
**Shaded Seating**  
- 2 Benches with Companion Seating  
- 1 Shade Sail



**6' Walking Path**  
**Gaga Ball Pit**  
- Concrete Paving



FITZSIMONS PARK



“Echoes of a River”

CONCEPT PLAN

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**COLOR KEY**

- BROWN
- TAN
- LIME
- BROWN/TAN



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FREEDOM SWING



MARKET DISCOVERY STATION



STRAIGHT OVERHEAD



360 LOOP® 10'



SERENITY SPOT®



PATHWAY™ LINK



ROPE TRIANGLE CLIMBER

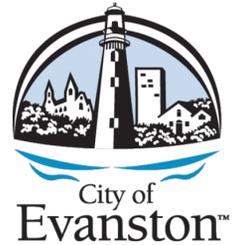
OPTION 1)



OPTION 2)



OPTION 3)



# COLOR OPTIONS

PLEASE PLACE A STICKER TO VOTE ON YOUR FAVORITE COLOR PALETTE

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