

## **2006-2011 Comprehensive Plan Community Input**

The 2006-2011 Comprehensive Plan was prepared by staff in draft format and distributed so that all community members would be able to review and comment on the contents. A copy was available for public inspection at all five community centers, the Administration Center and the Arlington Heights Memorial Library. In addition, a copy was placed on the Park District website.

On April 5, 2006, a public meeting was held and the public was invited to comment and/or ask questions about the 2006-2011 Comprehensive Plan. There were no members of the community in attendance at this meeting. In addition, comments were sought from the community about the 2006-2011 Comprehensive Plan via a survey on the Park District's website. (See the survey on the following page.)

Seven responses were received from the survey, one non-resident, two from each the Pioneer Park area and the Recreation Park area, and one each from the Camelot Park area and Frontier Park area. The following is brief synopsis of comments and suggestions received.

- The plan does not show expansion/addition of walking/biking trails despite the results of the 2004 Community Interest Survey which show this as an area of need.
- No dogs in the parks – to allow dogs in a mixed use park is unsanitary and scary for kids. If dogs are ever allowed, it should be only in a dog specific park.
- Dogs should be allowed in the parks: my dog is a part of my family and should be included in family outings to the park.
- We need a dog park where dogs can socialize.
- Recreation Park Community Center needs a makeover.
- We need a park district building that has a pool, indoor walking track and work out facility like Park Ridge and Niles.
- We need more art development classes for kids.
- Update the gymnasium at Recreation Park it is outdated and inadequate and it doesn't meet current standards for our disabled citizens. Priority should be given to updating indoor facilities. Costs could be defrayed by membership and tournament fees like in Mount Prospect, Libertyville and Des Plaines.
- If “open land was difficult to obtain in AH” (as was stated in the Plan,) why didn't the Park District purchase the last farm in AH last year? It was sold to developers.
- Please change the law to allow dogs in the parks. Make AH a more dog friendly community.
- Consideration should be given to offering weekend programs to accommodate working parents - more baby and toddler Park District programs should be offered on the weekends.
- Patriots Park soccer fields are in horrible shape for the travel soccer teams. This could cause injury if a child was to twist an ankle or knee.

**Arlington Heights Park District  
Comprehensive Plan Survey  
2006-2001**

1. In your opinion, does the 2006-2011 Comprehensive Plan cover all of the necessary aspects of long term planning for the Park District?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ No Opinion \_\_\_\_\_

If no, what do you believe should be added to the Comprehensive Plan? Please explain:

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2. Are there projects for your neighborhood that you feel should be included in the planning process?  
Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ No Opinion \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please explain:

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3. What neighborhood are you from: (Please choose one)  
Camelot      Frontier      Heritage      Pioneer      Recreation      Non-Resident

4. Additional comments:

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Thank you for helping make The Arlington Heights Park District a better place to recreate.