

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COMMUNITY FORUMS - PARKS & RECREATION THEME

	Slingerlands	Selkirk	South Bethlehem	Delmar	Glenmont	North Bethlehem	Elsmere
	11/29/2018	12/13/2018	1/10/2019	1/30/2019	3/7/2019	3/14/2019	3/21/2019
	4 groups, 38 people total	2 groups, 17 people total	4 groups, 59 people total	4 groups, 51 people total	4 groups, 42 people total	2 groups, 17 people total	3 groups, 29 people total
General	Like the rail trail for connections, recreation, and access/transportation. Concerned about lack of parks, amount of green space. Vision for bike trail (?). Opportunity for econ. Dev't and services for Rail Trail (see Econ. Dev't above).	Like Henry Hudson Park (both groups)- boating and park use. Vision for trail to HH Park. Opportunity in valuing Selkirk park	Like the park (not used) (2). Vision for higher recreation use of the river. Vision for bikable trails. Vision that SB Park is a destination. Concerned about S. Bethlehem Park- unsafe road, no crosswalk, no sidewalks. Concerned residents don't know about resources- Audubon trails. Opportunity to develop trail on abandoned railroad bed (2), connections, town ownership? Opportunity for community activities for kids, park area expansion (but respect adj. owners). Opportunity for audobon trail system/creek-great spot to connect, advertize.	Likes parks (2). Likes pocket parks. Likes the Rail Trail (3). Concerned about maintenance and safety on trails. Concerned about respect for Rail Trail. Opportunity for Rail Trail-clearer connections to retail (2), bike racks, signage	Likes the town parks. Likes town park. Likes Open Space. Likes that parks are kid friendly. Likes Henry Hudson park. Vision for more green spaces (copy above). Vision for park in Glenmont/passive recreation. Vision for local parks with picnic and playground areas. Vision for pocket parks. Vision for recreational facilities as part of projects-access o school resources. Opportunity for Hudson Shores Park. Opportunity for Glenmont parks.	Likes park with sidewalk. Vision for boat launch improvements (city). Concerned about park access (copied from above).	Vision for local parks/pocket parks. Concerned about lack of small park/playground.
Desired Amenities	Opportunity for signs about history of rail trail.		Vision for fencing at park and park improvements. Concerned about lack of fence around baseball area @ S. Bethlehem Park. Opportunity for dog park. Opportunity to develop south bethlehem Park-include little kids in planning amenities, programming. Opportunity for S.B Park- better facilities, walking trails, basketball, park pavilion (3).	Concerned about the lack of amenities along the river. Vision for a better dog park and better recreation fields. Opportunity for improved recreation facilities- turf fields, better lighting, community gardens.	Vision for dog parks. Concerned about park maintenance-tennis courts. Opportunity for developers to help pay (they should) for open space amenities. Opportunity for dog park (one dedicated for smaller dogs).		

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Access/Conn-ctions	Opportunities for greenway connections to rail trail/parks/arboretum		Concerned about [lack of] stream access, trees down near stream. Opportunity for greater riverfront/stream access (3). Opportunity to make recreational/pedestrian connections to park and the rest of town.	Opportunity for water access to Normanskill and Hudson River.	Vision for better river access. Opportunity for trails along the river.	Vision for normanskill recreation - kayak.	Likes access to Normanskill.

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