



## COMMUNITY INPUT CAPTURE APPENDIX B

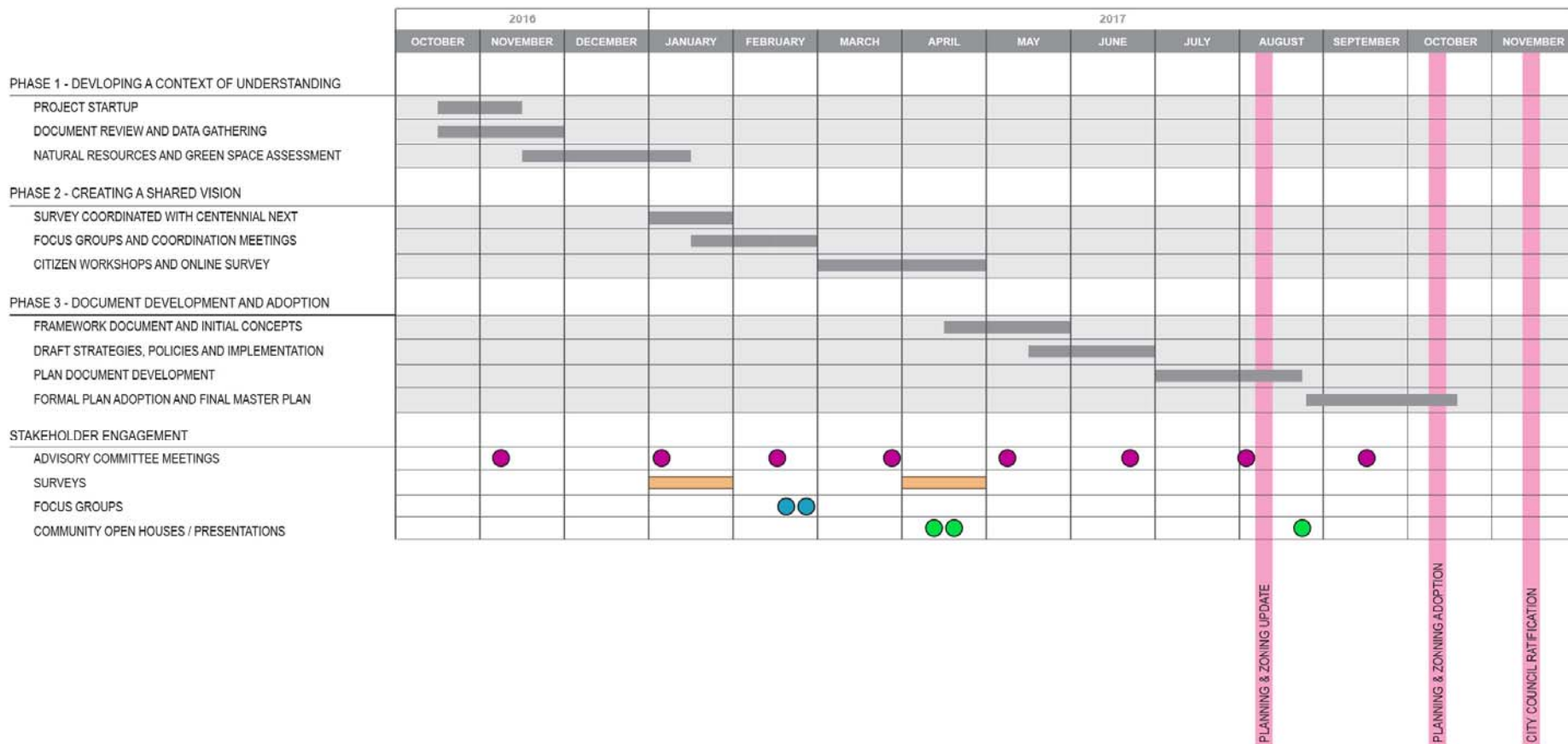
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# CENTENNIAL TRAILS AND RECREATION PLAN

## SCHEDULE AND STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH PLAN



## FOCUS GROUPS

### SERVING THE CENTENNIAL COMMUNITY

March 1, 2017 4:00 – 5:30pm

### TRAILS AND OPEN SPACE

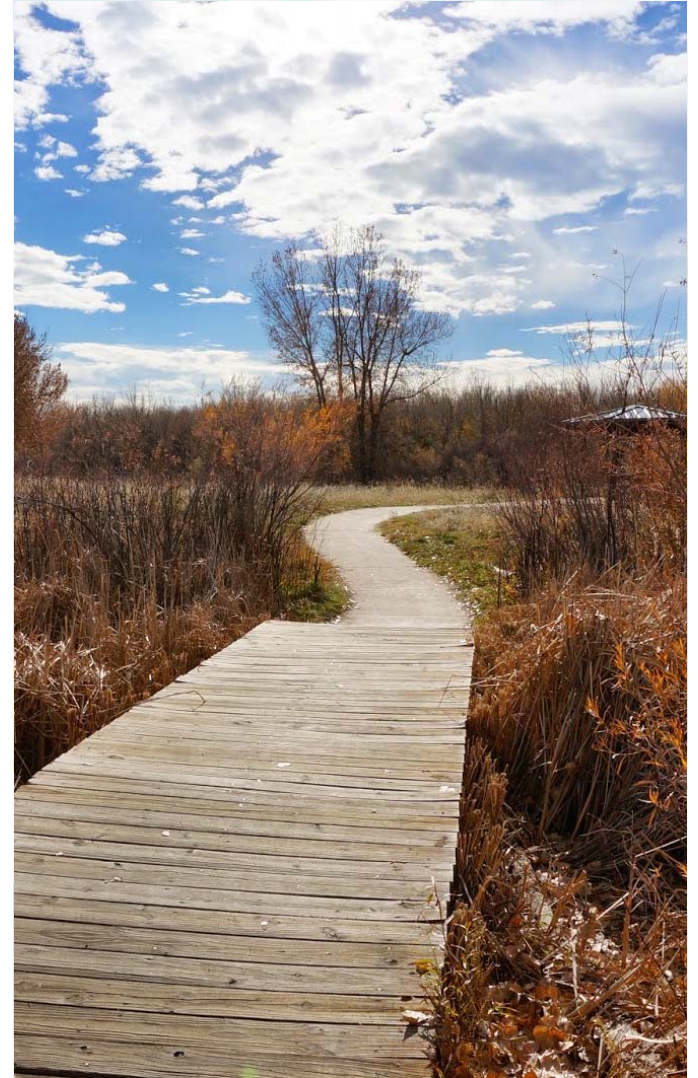
March 1, 2017 6:00 – 7:30pm

### PARKS AND RECREATION

March 2, 2017 4:00 – 5:30pm

### REGIONAL COLLABORATION

March 2, 2017 6:00 – 7:30pm



## FOCUS GROUP ATTENDEES

South Suburban PRD	Cherry Creek State Park
Arapahoe PRD	Littleton Public Schools
Arapahoe County Rec District	REAL Soccer Club
CenCon	Smoky Hill Metro District
South Metro Denver Chamber	City of Aurora
Rotary	Greenwood Village
Senior Commission	Denver South TMA
Youth Commission	Dove Valley Metro District
South Suburban Youth Comm.	City of Littleton
District 4 Representative	E470
Arapahoe County Open Space	CDOT
Douglas County	Centennial Public Works Dept.
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## FOCUS GROUP TAKEAWAYS

- Collaboration is happening, but we may need better mechanisms
- Public is not always sure who to contact with requests
- Safe and continuous trail connections are a regional priority
- Recreation trends are taxing the system
- The “Silver Tsunami” wants amenities that get them outdoors
- Engaging youth is a challenge
- Resources, resources, resources!





## COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS

### BUSINESS COMMUNITY – CITY OF CENTENNIAL

April 18, 2017 11:30am – 1:30pm

### CENTRAL CENTENNIAL – CITY OF CENTENNIAL

April 18, 2017 5:30 – 7:30pm

### WEST CENTENNIAL – ARAPAHOE HIGH SCHOOL

April 19, 2017 5:30 – 7:30pm

### EAST CENTENNIAL – GRANDVIEW HIGH SCHOOL

April 20, 2017 5:30 – 7:30pm



## FUNDING & OPERATIONS

- Open Space Tax support
- Improvement areas with regard to collaboration
- Communication tools

### FUNDING + OPERATIONS

THE ARAPAHOE COUNTY **OPEN SPACE TAX PROGRAM** BEGAN IN 2003 WHEN CITIZENS OF ARAPAHOE COUNTY VOTED TO FUND THE PROGRAM THROUGH A QUARTER-OF-A-PENNY OPEN SPACE SALES AND USE TAX (25 CENTS ON EVERY \$100 SPENT). THIS PROGRAM IS SCHEDULED TO SUNSET IN 2023.

WHAT IS YOUR INTEREST IN CONTINUING THE OPEN SPACE SALES AND USE TAX? PLACE A STICKER.

STRONGLY SUPPORT	SOMEWHAT SUPPORT	DO NOT SUPPORT	NO OPINION

THERE ARE MANY ENTITIES THAT MANAGE, OPERATE AND MAINTAIN PARKS, TRAILS AND RECREATION SPACES IN THE CITY OF CENTENNIAL. WE ARE LOOKING AT WAYS TO **ENHANCE AND IMPROVE THE COLLABORATION** AMONG THESE GROUPS. WHAT EFFORT DO YOU THINK NEEDS THE MOST IMPROVEMENT IN CENTENNIAL? PLACE A STICKER.

MAINTENANCE	DAILY PROGRAM OFFERINGS	EVENTS PROGRAM OFFERINGS	PERMITTING	OTHER	NONE

THE CITY IS CONSIDERING OPTIONS FOR SPREADING THE WORD ABOUT ALL THE PARKS, TRAILS AND FACILITIES IN THE AREA. WHICH TYPE OF **COMMUNICATION TOOL** ARE YOU MOST INTERESTED IN USING TO LEARN ABOUT PARKS, TRAILS AND OPEN SPACE IN CENTENNIAL? PLACE A STICKER.

WEBSITE	SOCIAL MEDIA	PHONE APP	PHYSICAL MAPS	DEDICATED CITY PARKS EMPLOYEE

## FUNDING & OPERATIONS



**94%**  
OF RESPONDENTS **STRONGLY SUPPORT**  
AN EXTENSION OF THE OPEN SPACE TAX

**57%**  
OF RESPONDENTS WOULD LIKE  
BELIEVE **EVENTS PROGRAMMING** NEEDS  
IMPROVED COLLABORATION EFFORTS



**53%**  
OF RESPONDENTS ARE MOST INTERESTED IN A  
**WEBSITE** TO COMMUNICATE ABOUT PARKS, TRAILS  
AND OPEN SPACE

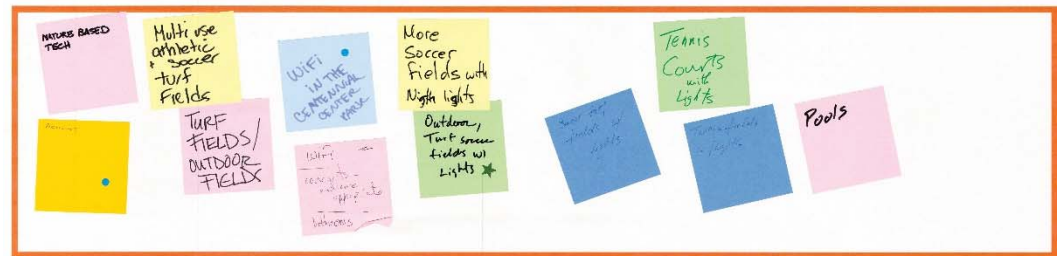


## PARKS & RECREATION

- Activities for teens and seniors
- Athletic fields priorities
- Funding allocation priorities

### PARKS + RECREATION

WHAT ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES, PROGRAMS OR FACILITIES WOULD ATTRACT MORE **TEENS** TO CENTENNIAL PARKS?



WHAT ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES, PROGRAMS OR FACILITIES WOULD ATTRACT MORE **SENIORS** TO CENTENNIAL PARKS?



PLACE A STICKER NEXT TO THE ACTION YOU THINK SHOULD BE A TOP PRIORITY FOR ATHLETIC FIELDS IN CENTENNIAL.

Acquire new land for a new regional outdoor multi-field facility	★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★	Add lights to existing fields and extend hours of use.	★ ★ ★ ★ ★
Acquire properties around the City for smaller, distributed athletic fields	★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★	Other	Fund Potomac Park turf fields
Replace existing natural turf fields with artificial turf.	★ ★	I don't think athletic fields should be a priority in Centennial	★ ★ ★ ★ ★

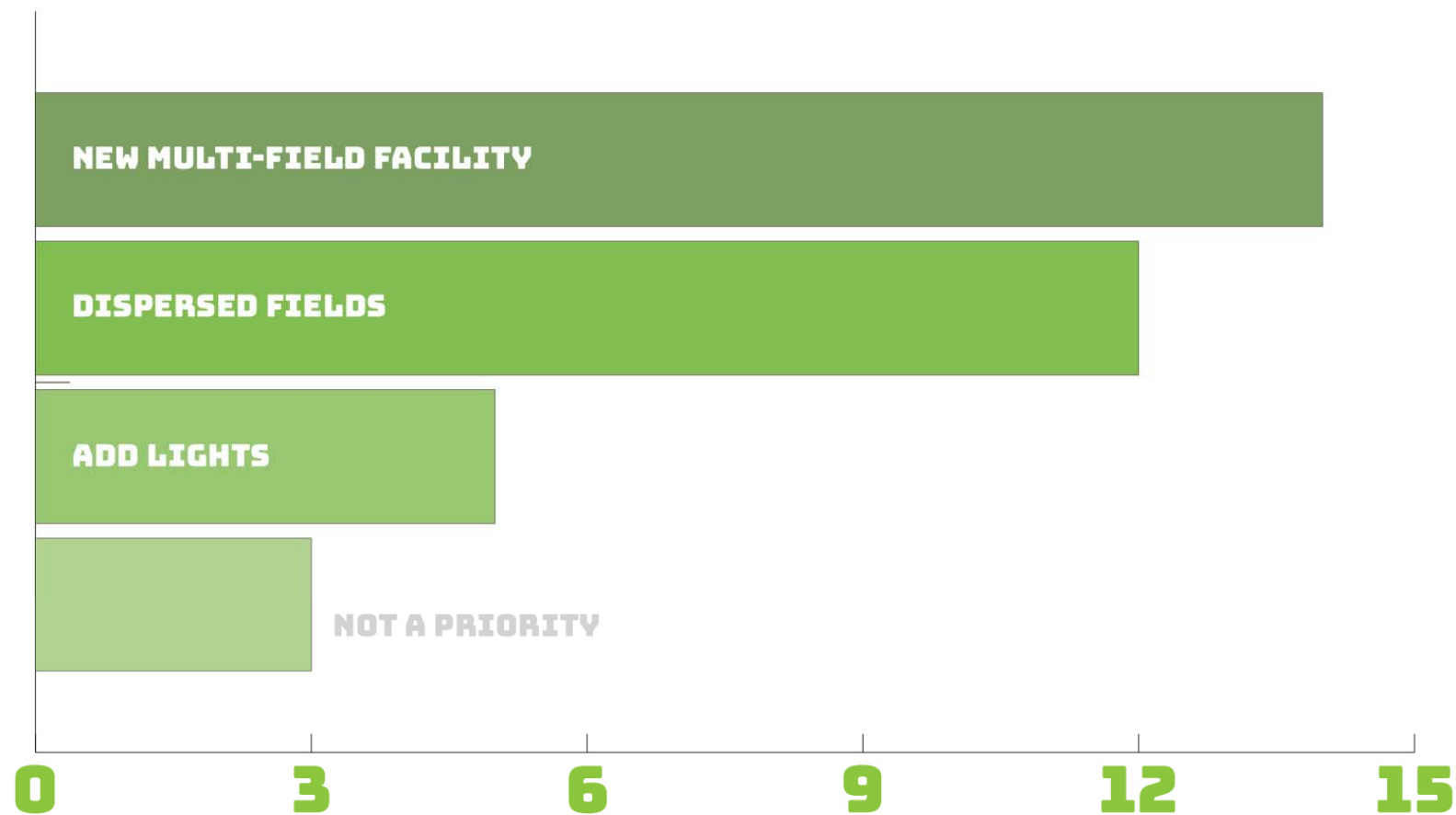
HOW SHOULD CENTENNIAL PRIORITIZE THE ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR PARKS AND RECREATION FACILITIES?

PLACE A STICKER NEXT TO YOUR TOP CHOICE.

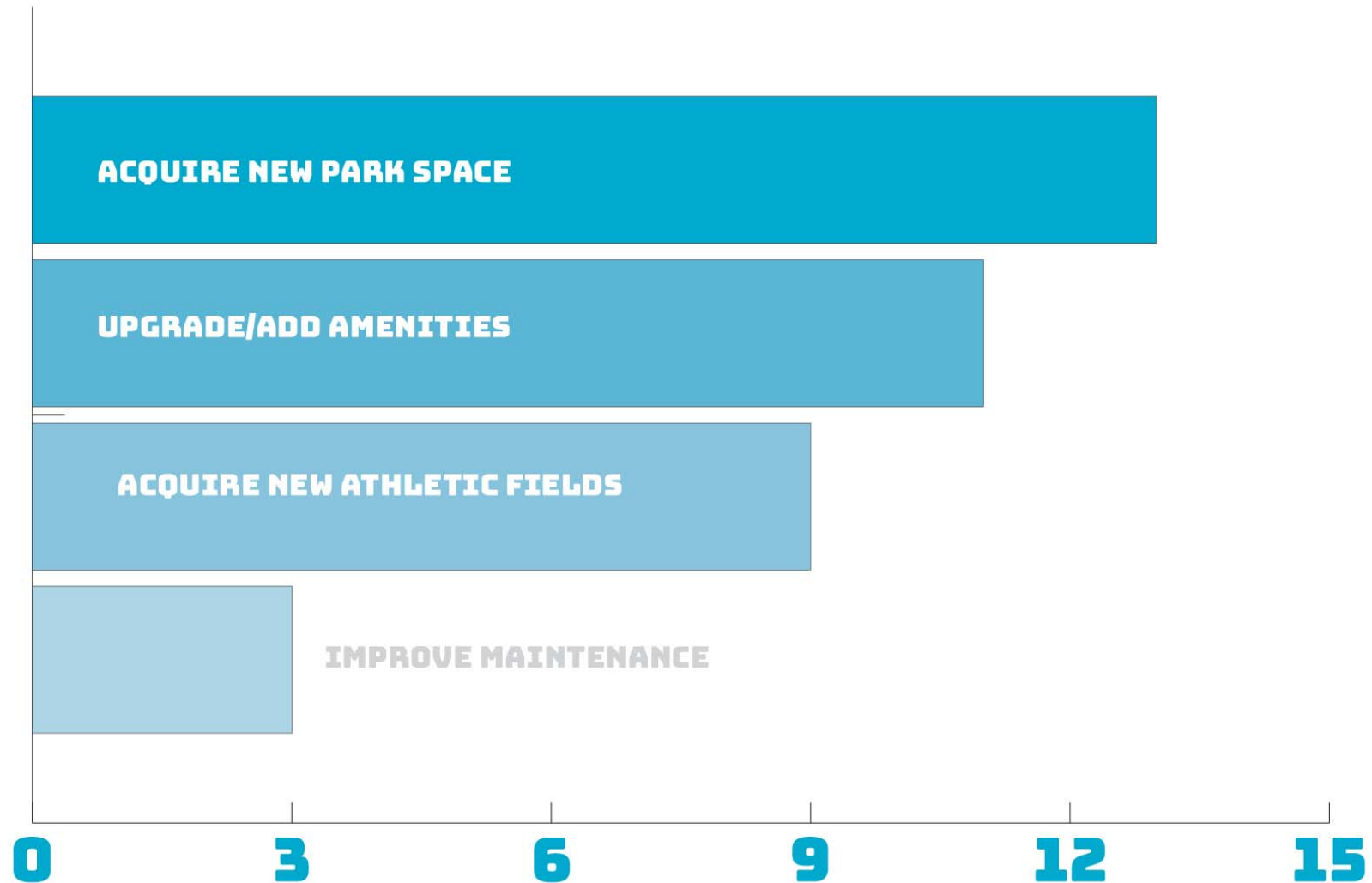
IMPROVING MAINTENANCE	★ ★ ★ ★ ★	ACQUIRING NEW ATHLETIC FIELDS	★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★
UPGRADING AND ADDING AMENITIES	★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★	OTHER	★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★
ACQUIRING NEW PARK SPACE	★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ ★ (EAST SIDE)	NONE OF THE ABOVE	



PARKS & RECREATION – FIELD PRIORITIES





















## PARKS & RECREATION – FUNDING PRIORITIES



# TRAILS AMENITIES

## TRAIL PRIORITIES

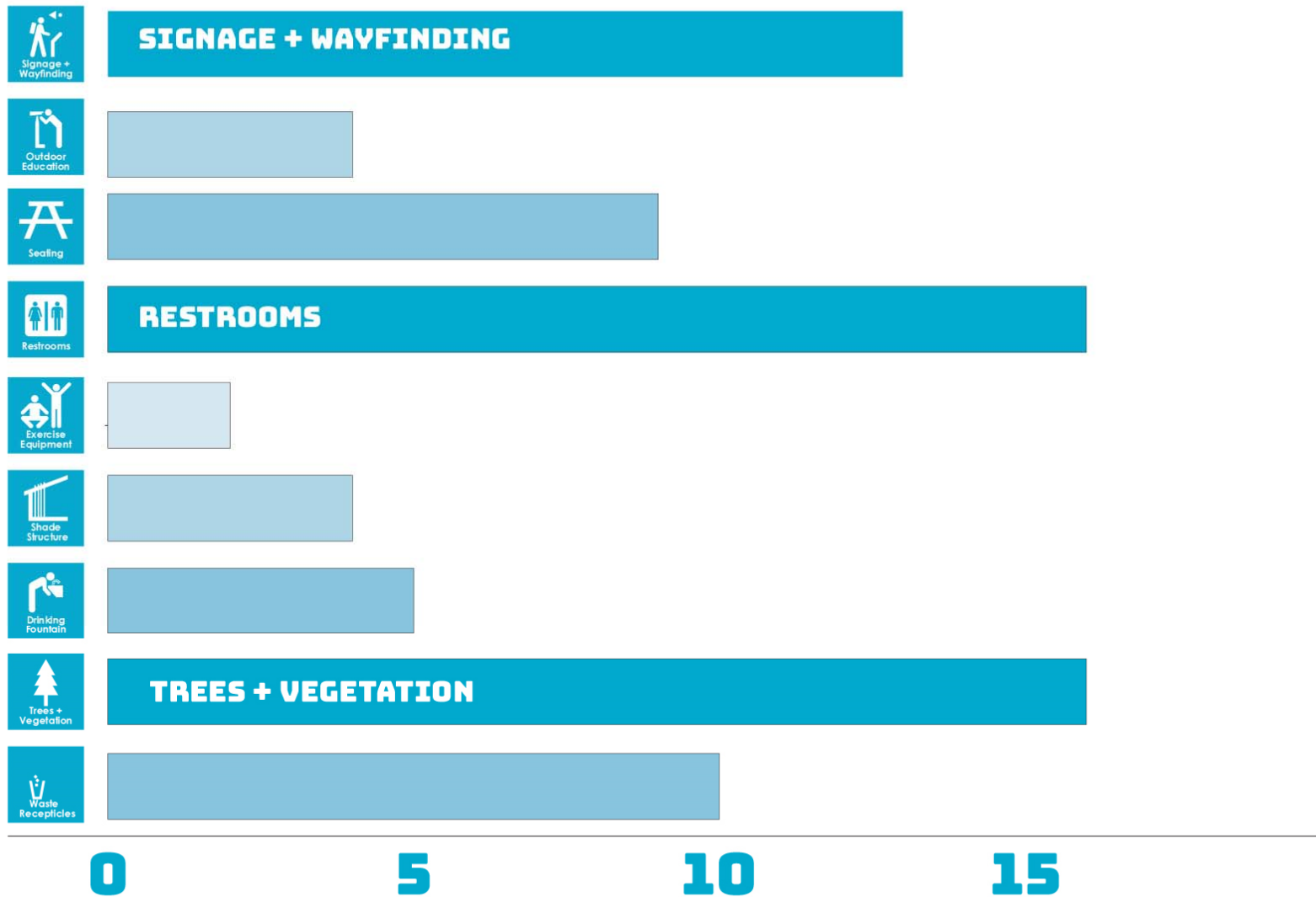
WE'VE HEARD THAT TRAILS IN CENTENNIAL NEED ADDITIONAL AMENITIES. PLEASE PLACE A STICKER NEXT TO THE **TOP THREE** AMENITIES YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE MORE OF ALONG TRAILS.

 Signage + Wayfinding	
 Outdoor Education	
 Seating	
 Restrooms	
 Exercise Equipment	
 Shade Structure	
 Drinking Fountain	
 Trees + Vegetation	
 Trash/Dog Waste Can	





## TRAILS AMENITIES





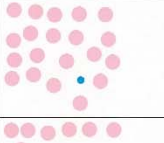



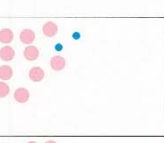
# TRAILS PRIORITIES

- Pedestrian Improvements at Intersections
- Install Missing Sidewalks
- Connections to Transit Stops
- Additional Amenities
- Additional Off-Street Connections
- Last Mile Connections
- Park-to-Park Connections
- Additional Amenities
- Buffered Bike Lane Conversions

Centennial TRP Update – Community Input Capture

## TRAIL PRIORITIES

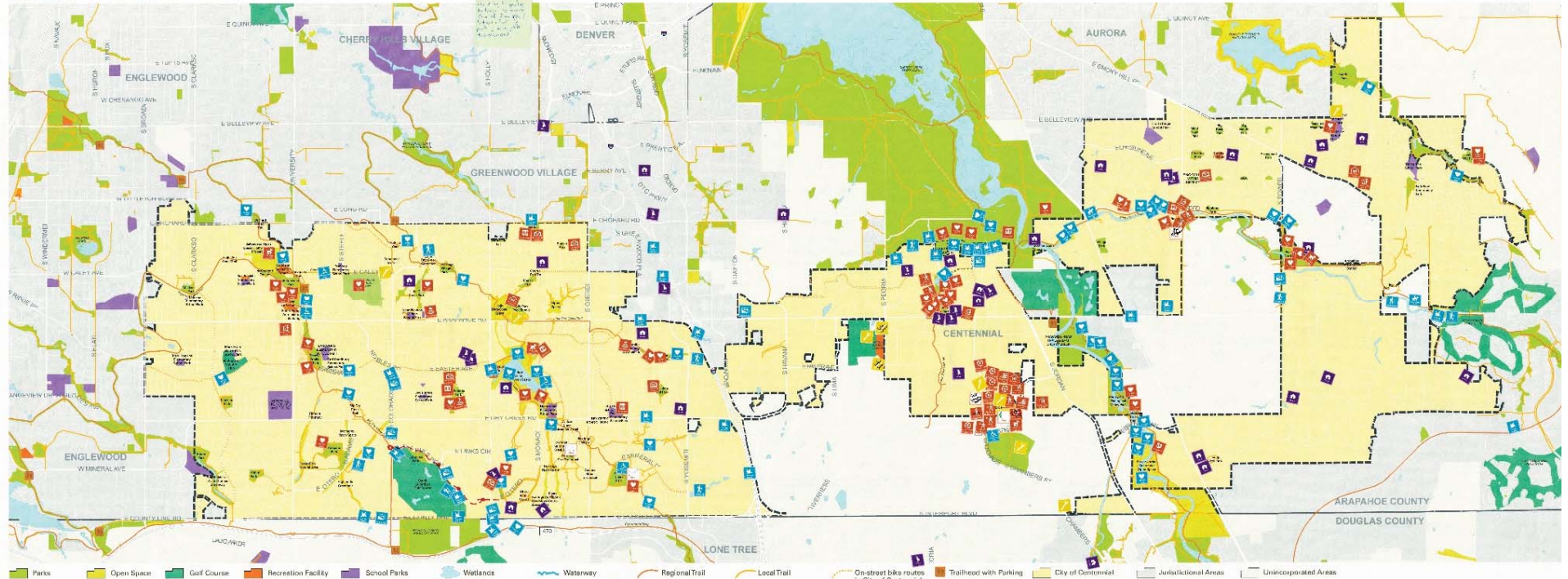
PLEASE RATE THE FOLLOWING TRAIL IMPROVEMENTS:

		HIGH PRIORITY	MEDIUM PRIORITY	LOW PRIORITY
	Pedestrian Improvements at Intersections			
	Last-mile connections to schools and civic buildings (libraries, recreation centers, etc.)			
	Connections to transit stops			
	Park to park connections			
	Install missing sidewalks			
	Convert on-street bike lanes to buffered bike lanes			
	Land acquisition for off-street trail connections			
	Adding amenities along trails			

More Trails  
Dedicated  
to Just  
Biking



## PARKS, OPEN SPACE, AND TRAILS INVENTORY



TRAILS AND RECREATION PLAN  
CITY OF CENTENNIAL, COLORADO

## PARKS AMENITIES

Soccer Fields  
Sports Courts  
Senior/Teen Center  
Community Gardens  
Restrooms

## ACCESS BARRIERS

Cherry Creek State Park  
I-25  
Colorado Blvd.  
Dry Creek Rd.

## TRAILS AMENITIES



### COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS

1. Trees & Vegetation (20%)
1. Restrooms (20%)
3. Signage and Wayfinding (17%)
4. Waste Receptacles (13%)
5. Seating (11%)

### SURVEY

1. Trees & Vegetation (46%)
2. Signage and Wayfinding (38%)
3. Waste Receptacles (35%)
4. Soft Surface Trails (30%)
5. Shade Structures (27%)



# TRAILS PRIORITIES



## COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS

1. Intersection Improvements
2. Connections to Transit Stops
3. Install Missing Sidewalks
4. Last-Mile Connections
5. Additional Off-Street Connections

## SURVEY

1. Install Missing Sidewalks
2. Park-to-Park Connections
3. Additional Off-Street Connections
4. Last-Mile Connections
5. Intersection Improvements

## TRAILS PRIORITIES

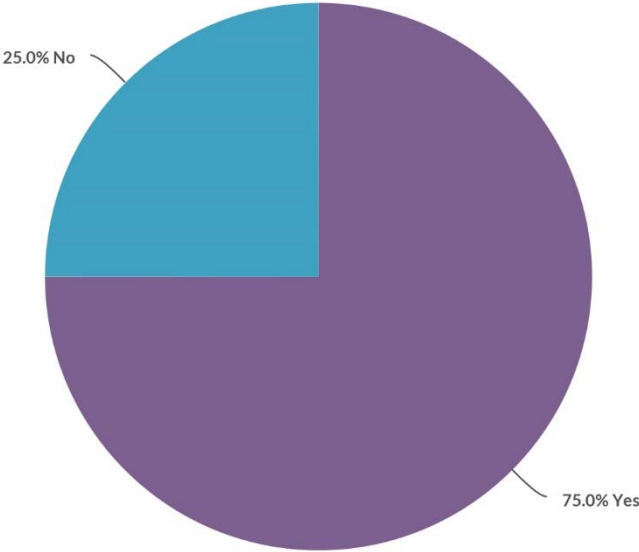


### SUMMER KICK-OFF EVENT

1. Create an east-west bike and pedestrian connection (4.8 – out of 5)
2. Expand off-street trail connections to neighborhood parks and open space (4.1)
3. Provide consistent signage and wayfinding along trail corridors (3.9)
4. Pedestrian safety improvements at major streets (3.6)
5. Provide additional tree planting and seating areas along trails (3.1)

# PARKS AVAILABILITY

8. Do you feel like there are adequate parks and recreation facilities within a 5-minute drive and 10-minute walk of your home?



Value	Percent	Responses
Yes	75.0%	120
No	25.0%	40
Total: 160		



## WEST CENTENNIAL

YES – 84%      NO – 16%

## EAST CENTENNIAL

YES – 61%      NO – 39%

## ATHLETIC FIELD PRIORITIES

### COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS

1. Acquire new land for regional facility (38%)
2. Dispersed fields (32%)



### SURVEY

1. Not a Priority (35%)
2. Acquire new land for regional facility (31%)



## PARKS FUNDING PRIORITIES



### COMMUNITY WORKSHOPS

1. Acquisition of New Parks (35%)
2. Enhance Existing Facilities (30%)
3. Acquire New Athletic Fields (24%)
4. Improve Maintenance (8%)

### SURVEY

1. Enhance Existing Facilities (44%)
2. Improve Maintenance (28%)
3. Acquisition of New Parks (27%)
4. Acquire New Athletics Fields (2%)

## PARKS FUNDING PRIORITIES



### SUMMER KICK-OFF EVENT

1. Acquire undeveloped land to preserve as open space (4.4 – out of 5)
2. More events in parks (4.4)
3. Create a community center for youth and seniors (4.1)
4. Create community gardens within parks (3.4)
5. Upgrades to existing parks (3.2)