

From: [Allyssa Weippert](#) on behalf of [MB Parks and Rec](#)
To: [Linda M. Robb](#)
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Polliwog Park Fitness Area
Date: Monday, March 21, 2022 8:08:28 AM

From: Susan Clamage <sue.clamage@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, March 19, 2022 4:46 PM
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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Polliwog Park Fitness Area

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I live a few blocks from Polliwog Park and use the fitness center's elliptical machine three times a week. I'll be crushed if you remove it. I imagine the cost of repair of all the equipment is a problem and the photo in your postcard shows new equipment that looks like there's nothing to break. I see the appeal from that perspective. However, for me personally there's nothing shown in the new photo that I can use. Please take my vote into consideration. Thank you.

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To: [Linda M. Robb](#)
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Fitness area at polliwog Park - Input
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From: Roark Sandberg <roarksandberg@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 20, 2022 1:32 PM
To: MB Parks and Rec <mbparksandrec@manhattanbeach.gov>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Fitness area at polliwog Park - Input

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This is my input for the Polliwog Park fitness area.

My name is Roark Sandberg @ 1301 Lynngrove Dr., MB, CA 90266, the back of my house looks directly over the fitness area.

Living across from the fitness area from the beginning, I have much to say about the use, the up-keep, the type of users, the tire/rubber pieces as the floor. The fitness area is not used by many adults. More kids under the age of fifteen use the area for ten to twenty minutes. I would have to say, out of a normal week, the number of adult users would be **seven to ten a week**. That is not many for the amount of money spent on the equipment, and the maintenance the city provides. I feel it was not clearly researched or studied and was an easy solution to provide something for the public.

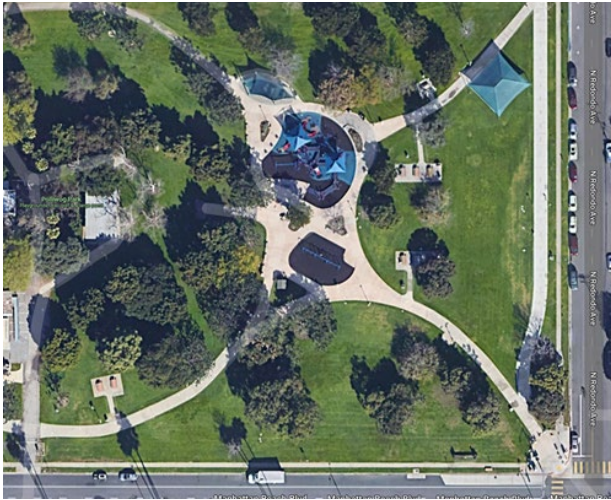
- The equipment is not properly keep up to working order.
- Constant squeaks and high pitch tones when in use. So much that it was a big factor in upgrading my windows to deaden the sounds. This high pitch, metal to metal sound happens early am to late, late pm times too. The swings also need to be maintained, and they also have an annoying sound as well.
- Age group are from young five to six years olds, even though sign says 14+ or older; to elderly users very early in the morning. Not a pleasure to have when trying to sleep.
 - I wonder what the insurance of the city would cover? We had a Frisbee insurance claim several years back. Here you have posted signs and clearly the adults do not follow the rules.

If this fitness structure was closer to the kid's play area, the adults would be more incline to use said equipment while watching their child play. Also, when the equipment makes a horrible sound, it hopefully would not travel and make it to the residents next to the park.

- The recycle tire pieces do not stay in the pit. Somehow, these pieces makes their way across N. Redondo Ave to the back of my house
- It takes days for the pit to dry out from a rain. This is because the fit area is built on top of an old polliwog pond that was covered up by dirt.

Here is a Google aerial picture of the park and the fitness area. The second picture, with and A or B suggestions, are of other locations that would be better

1. for the residents and noise pollution,
2. access for the public with existing concrete pathways,
3. closeness to the kid's play area, so users could watch the children.



The picture on the postcard shows an open area, not fenced? This would indicate "All Age Use". If this is the plan, that I would want a sound study and the proximity to the residential area that would be impacted. The ocean winds that sweep through the park from the West help any and all sounds, travel even farther to the East; outside the park borders. This happens at all times of the day.

I would like the question to be asked to the community, "could more money and up keep for the trees and adding even more trees" be asked?

Thank you for sending out the card for input this time, I hope that the powers to be, really study and research the needs of all and provide something of quality and substance for the community and not being an annoyance to the local residents.

Thank you for listening.

Roark Sandberg

On a Sunday:

(Two adults, one child under 14)



(5 children under 14 and 3 adults)



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Greetings-

We would like to see the current park fitness area in Polliwog Park upgraded using the National Fitness Court equipment described in the post card that we received in the mail.

Many thanks,
John and Nancy Insprucker
(Insprucker Trust)

From: [Allyssa Weippert](#) on behalf of [MB Parks and Rec](#)
To: [Linda M. Robb](#)
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] Comment on Upgrading Fitness Area - Polliwog Park
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From: Robert A. Maynez <robmaynez@aol.com>
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My input:

Take a poll of residents. Do a majority even desire a fitness area? If so, then please just budget for maintenance of such equipment and some level of supervision. If not, take it out and beautify the park. For example, maybe that could be a beautiful flower garden, succulents garden, or similar. A beautiful fountain with recycled water would be nice, but of course, maintenance costs would be factor. On the other hand, children seem to love those water-emitting features (with rubber pads on ground) that shoot up water, intermittently. Wherever I have seen those, children really enjoy them!

Thank you.

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From: lucy artinian <lartinian20@hotmail.com>
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I think a change is worthwhile. The spot collects water after rain and despite a sign saying over 14 yrs of age I constantly see small children in the enclosed area often during the day. The liability for problems is high.

Also I would like to see the barbecues removed from the park. With large crowds and small children running around it is only a matter of time for an injury.

Also we make an issue of smoke from outdoor barbecues since there are days when the smoke drifts into my area of liberty village. We focus on outdoor smoking but this is also an air pollution problem

Bob Hoersch
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