

## **BOYD A. AND CHARLOTTE M. HOGGE PARK MASTER PLAN COMMENT SUMMARY**

Public comment has been a vital component in shaping the Master Plan for the Boyd A. and Charlotte M. Hogge Park throughout the planning process. From the initial public announcement and Public Information Meeting held on May 20, 2010, through posting of the draft Master Plan and Public Comment Meeting held on November 15, 2010, until the close of the public comment period on December 15, 2010, the Park Authority has sought and welcomed the input of those interested in shaping the future of Hogge Park. Both public meetings were well attended with numerous written comments have been received as well. The range of the comments received was varied. Comments received since the publication of the draft Master Plan are summarized below.

### **OVERALL PLAN**

- Many voiced appreciation for the opportunity to preserve open space for the community;
- Several people expressed that the plan responded to requests from the community, that the Park Authority had truly tried to listen and incorporate community preferences;
- Some expressed concern that the site would be over developed;

### **SITE ACCESS**

- Support for the concept of providing shared parking with St. Katherine's Church;
- Concerns regarding traffic issues related to Glen Carlyn Road and Magnolia Avenue;

### **SITE ELEMENTS**

- Some expressed preference for no active recreation, simply green space;
- Request for diamond field;
- Preference that tennis should not be considered for the court sport;
- Request for an off-leash dog area;
- Concern regarding the appearance of community garden plots;
- Preference and opposition to the inclusion of community garden plots;
- Preference for maintained gardens;
- Preference to relocate the pavilion more centrally within the park;
- Mixed preferences were expressed as to whether restrooms should be included;
- Support for the inclusion of the picnic pavilion;

- Support for the inclusion of the playground;
- Preference for early installation of benches and trash cans;

#### **SITE ISSUES**

- Request for privacy fences for adjacent property owners;
- Concerns regarding site maintenance – i.e., trash pick up, tree removal, lawn care;
- Ongoing concern regarding unwanted activity along the stream.