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PROJECT NAME: Rassekh Park

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PRESENT: Jenny Anderson, Jeff Munro, Tony Garcia, Ivan Anderholm, Megan Big John, Brenda Falson – City of Lake Oswego Parks and Recreation (LOPR)  
Jen Gray-O’Connor, Zach Johnson – Lois Cohen Associates (LCA)  
Randall Yamada – Stafford Hamlet Neighborhood Association  
Travis Schoonover – Lake Oswego Soccer Club  
Tom Kelley – Lake Oswego Girls Softball Little League  
Scott Bullard – Parks, Recreation, and Natural Resources Advisory Board/Forest Highlands Neighborhood Association  
Robert Heape – Palisades Neighborhood Association  
Curtis Hidalgo – Lake Oswego Youth Lacrosse  
Drew Herion – Lake Oswego Little League  
Richard Herman – Friends of Luscher Farms  
Katie Allen – Pacer Youth Baseball  
Steven Tuttle, Matt Butts, Andrew Schneider – Mackenzie

**SUBJECT: PAC Meeting Minutes #01 (April 29, 2021)**

### ACTION ITEMS

- 1.1 Zach Johnson (LCA), by 5/5/2021, to update the website based on the feedback given by PAC members, see information items below.
- 1.2 Zach Johnson (LCA), by 5/7/2021, to provide the completed survey findings report for the first survey.

### UNRESOLVED ITEMS

*None at this time.*

### RESOLVED ITEMS

*None at this time.*

### INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Jen Gray-O’Connor (LCA) reviewed Public Advisory Committee (PAC) meeting guidelines and explained the role of the PAC members and how they fit into the process.
2. Jenny Anderson (LOPR) reviewed the following project background information:

- A. History of the property's acquisition.
  - B. Previous planning efforts and studies performed by consultants and City staff respectively.
  - C. Review of the athletic field needs assessments previously performed by the City.
  - D. Review of the process that provides funding for the Rassekh project.
3. Steven Tuttle (Mackenzie) introduced the site and an overview of the site context.
  4. Steven Tuttle (Mackenzie) reviewed the project timeline with the group noting that the project is on track to be completed at the end of 2022.
  5. Zach Johnson (LCA) provided an overview of the project website, the following feedback was given by PAC members:
    - A. The "Stay Connect" feature was not properly functioning.
    - B. The link to view PAC members under "Get Involved" led to a dead end.
    - C. Katie Allen (Pacer Youth Baseball) asked if project updates and survey advertisements would be provided through social media outlets or if it would be limited to the website. LOPR staff confirmed that advertisements and updates would be provided through parks social media accounts and that fliers and signage would be posted at similar properties.
  6. The group did a preliminary review of the first survey and its results. Zach Johnson (LCA) noted that a formal report would follow including analysis of the open-ended questions from the survey.
  7. Jen Gray-O'Connor (LCA) asked the PAC two follow-up questions about the first survey. The questions and responses were as follows:
    - A. How can we increase participation for the next survey?
      - I. Connecting with various volunteer lists/friends/groups was suggested as a starting point.
    - B. Are there any questions we should be asking or clarifying?
      - I. There was a suggestion to combine language around softball and baseball moving forward.
      - II. There was a suggestion to include questions around sustainability (i.e. EV charging stations).
      - III. There was a suggestion to include questions around inclusive and accessible play and where a playground should be located on site.
      - IV. There was a suggestion to ask additional clarifying questions around the inclusion of a concession stand.
      - V. There was a suggestion to provide clarification and context for supplemental features that do not focus on athletics.
      - VI. There was a suggestion to ask questions about usage of adjacent parks properties as they relate to the Rassekh property.

- VII. There was a suggestion to ask what the top three things that brought you to Lake Oswego and what are the top three things that will keep you in Lake Oswego long term.
8. When prompted to share what has the potential to be exciting or challenging about this project, the group's responses can be summarized as follows:
- A. Looking forward to a complimentary existence between nature, play, and athletics that encourages exercise and exploration for the whole family.
  - B. Excitement at the prospect of a new, true multi-sport facility with synthetic turf.
  - C. A challenge will be balancing the needs and concerns around lighting at the park.
  - D. A challenge will be designing a vehicular circulation system that does not impede traffic flow around the park.
9. The PAC was encouraged to have conversations with and listen to their respective stakeholder groups and bring information learned back to the group in future meetings.

Every effort has been made to accurately record this meeting. If any errors or omissions are noted, please provide written response within five days of receipt.

Enclosure(s): Attachment A – Rassekh Park PAC #1 slide deck dated April 29, 2021

c: Present  
Harold Rust – Palisades Neighborhood Association



# Rassekh Park Development

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PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING #1

APRIL 29, 2021

# Meeting Agenda

<b>4:00-4:20</b>	<b>Welcome &amp; Introductions</b>	
<b>4:20-4:25</b>	<b>Community Agreements</b>	Jen Gray-O'Connor
<b>4:25-4:30</b>	<b>PAC Purpose &amp; Tasks</b>	Jen Gray-O'Connor
<b>4:30-4:50</b>	<b>Project Background</b>	Jenny Anderson Steven Tuttle
	Project Importance & Constraints	
	Existing Site Conditions & Context	
	Project Phases and Timeline	
<b>4:50-5:20</b>	<b>Q&amp;A/Discussion</b>	
<b>5:20-5:40</b>	<b>Community Outreach Overview</b>	Jen Gray-O'Connor Zachary Johnson
	Project Website	
	Results of Community Survey	
<b>5:40-5:45</b>	<b>Next Steps and Adjournment</b>	Jen Gray-O'Connor

# Meeting Guidelines

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- Arrive on time and prepared.
- Share the air – only one person will speak at a time, and we will allow others to speak once before we speak twice.
- Express our own views or those of our constituents; don't speak for others at the table.
- Listen carefully and keep an open mind.
- Respect the views and opinions of others, and refrain from personal attacks, both within and outside of meetings.
- Avoid side conversations.
- Focus questions and comments on the subject at hand and stick to the agenda.
- When discussing the past, link the past to the current discussion constructively.
- Seek to find common ground with each other and consider the needs and concerns of the local community and the larger region.
- Turn off or put cell phones on silent mode. Focus on full engagement in the meeting, and refrain from conducting other work during meetings as much as possible
- Notify project staff (Jenny Anderson) of any media inquiries and refer requests for official statements or viewpoints to the City. Committee members will not speak to media on behalf of the committee, or the City, but rather only on their own behalf.

# PAC Role

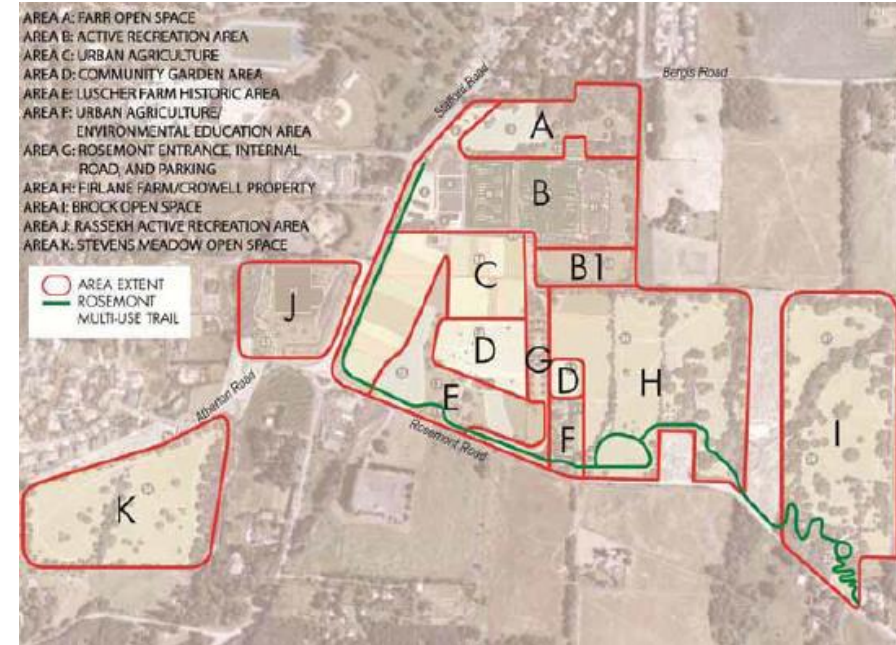
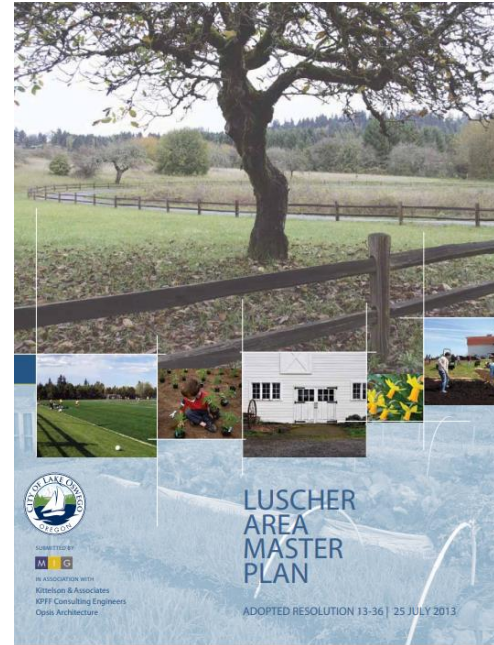
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- Attend PAC meetings (April 29, May 27, & June 24)
- Serve as an ambassador for the project
  - Share accurate project information with stakeholders
  - Encourage stakeholders to participate through online open houses
- Review community input
  - Review reports from surveys
  - Listen to input from your stakeholder groups
- Provide feedback on design options and the proposed final design

# Rassekh Park – Project Background

## Master Plans and Studies

- Park ,Open Space and Recreation Master Plan for Luscher Farms (1997)
- Luscher Area Master Plan (2013)





# Sports Field Need

- Parks Plan 2025
- Athletic Field Requirements Study (2011)
- Athletic Field Requirements Report (2019)



## Funding

2019 Parks Bond \$30 million

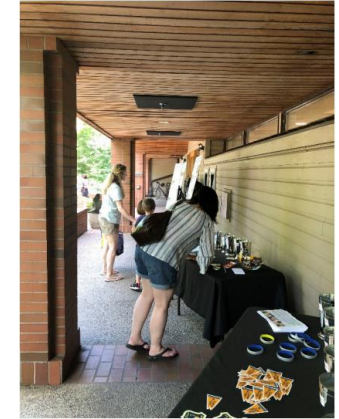
Parks Bond Prioritization (June 2019)

## Council Goals and Initiatives

2019- Provide appropriate facilities for outdoor and indoor recreation and swimming

2020- Approve a project list for the Parks Bond which included- develop Rassekh property as ballfields

2021- Implement the bond-funded Parks and Recreations Projects



### 2021 City Council Goals

The Lake Oswego City Council adopted their 2021 goals at their February 2 meeting.

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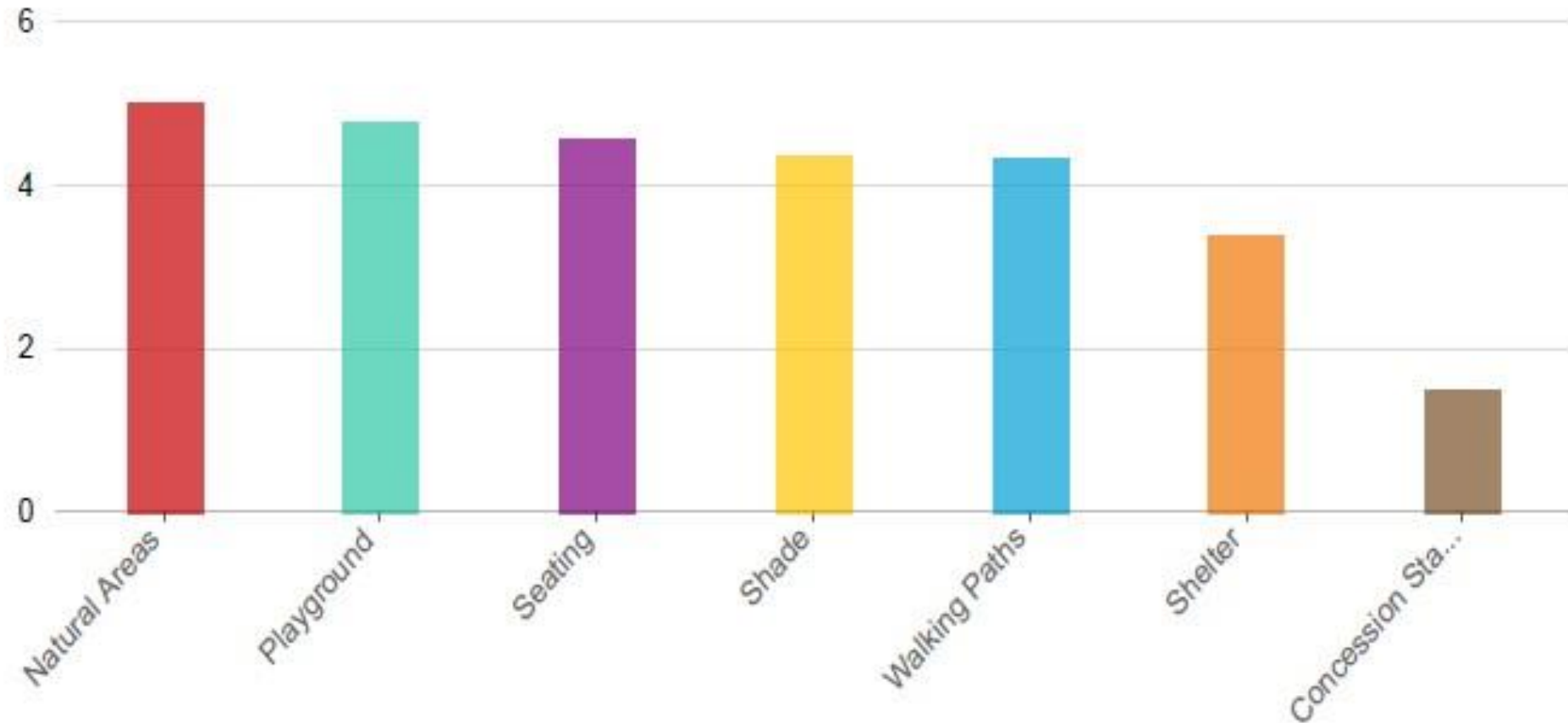
# Survey Results

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- Open April 16-April 25
- Responses: 629
- Full survey report is being created

In thinking of other Lake Oswego parks with athletic fields, which of the following characteristics are most important to you? Please rank the following from most important (1) to least important (7).

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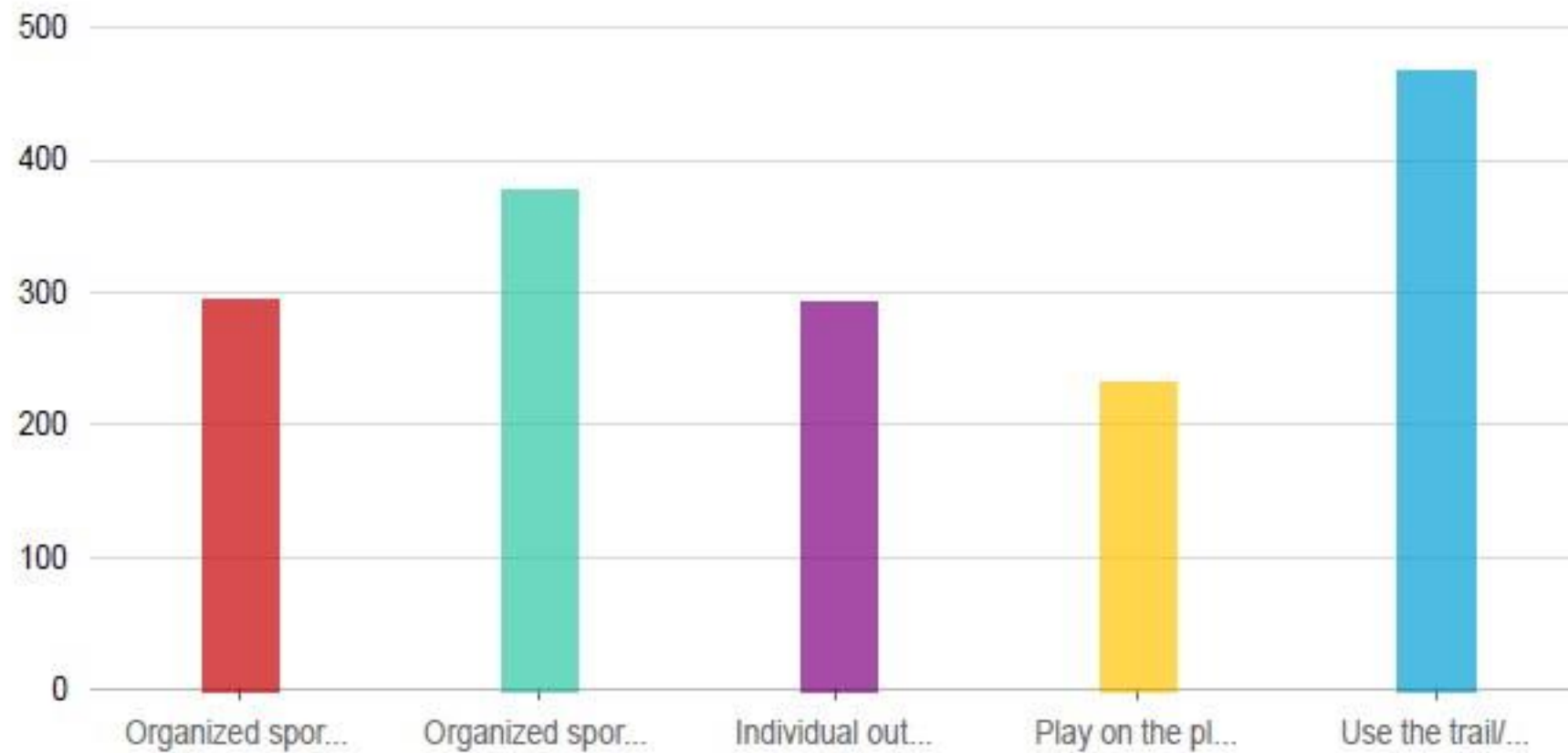


## What is your favorite sports field and why? (431 responses)

Park	Mentions	Summary of Reasons
Hazelia Field	119	Turf, fields, lacrosse, large size, quality of field, dog park access, bathrooms, views, walking paths, proximity to schools, parking (listed as both a positive and negative), access, safe, good lighting
Waluga Park – East	102	Room for multiple activities, turf, location, amenities- bathrooms, playground, natural areas, bike trails, shade, year-round access, baseball fields, concessions
Westlake	23	trails, lots of fields, location, playground, flexibility of use, sheltered, parking
George Rogers	21	Amenities/activities for whole family, turf, balance of activities, good for younger kids
Various THPRD parks	8	Athletic features, natural landscaping, trails, variety

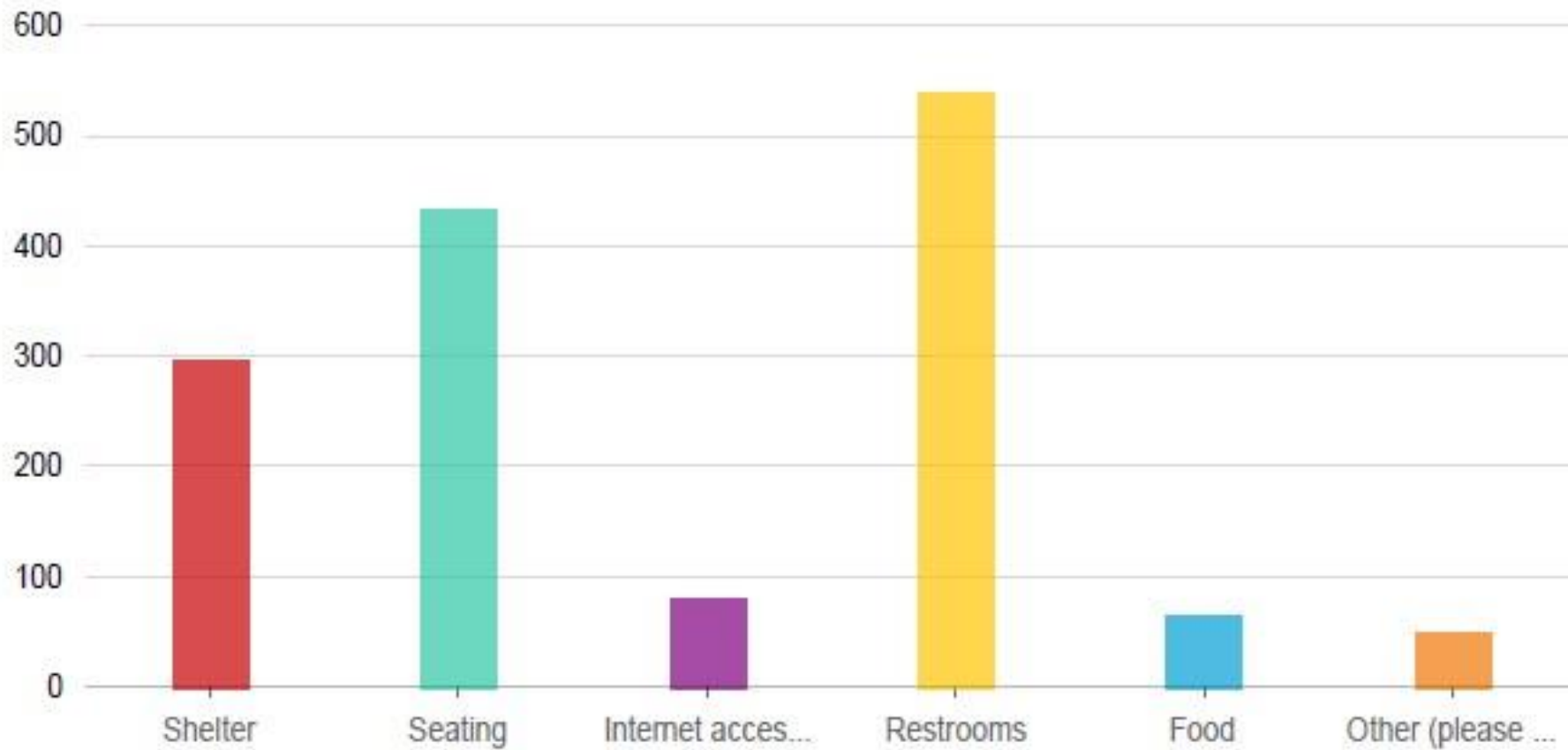
How would you be most likely to use the park? (check all that apply)

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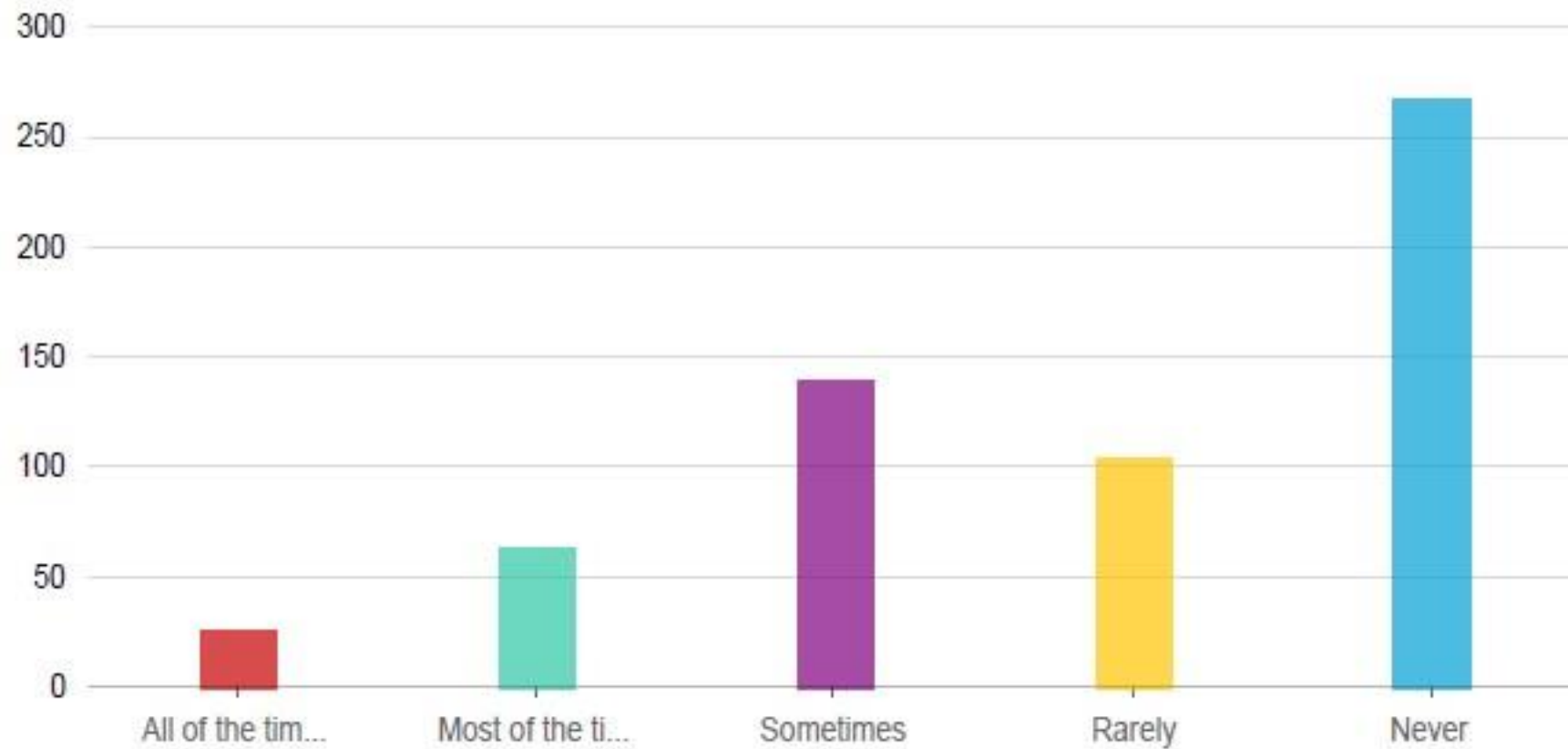
What amenities are the most important to you when watching a sporting event at a park like this? (check all that apply)

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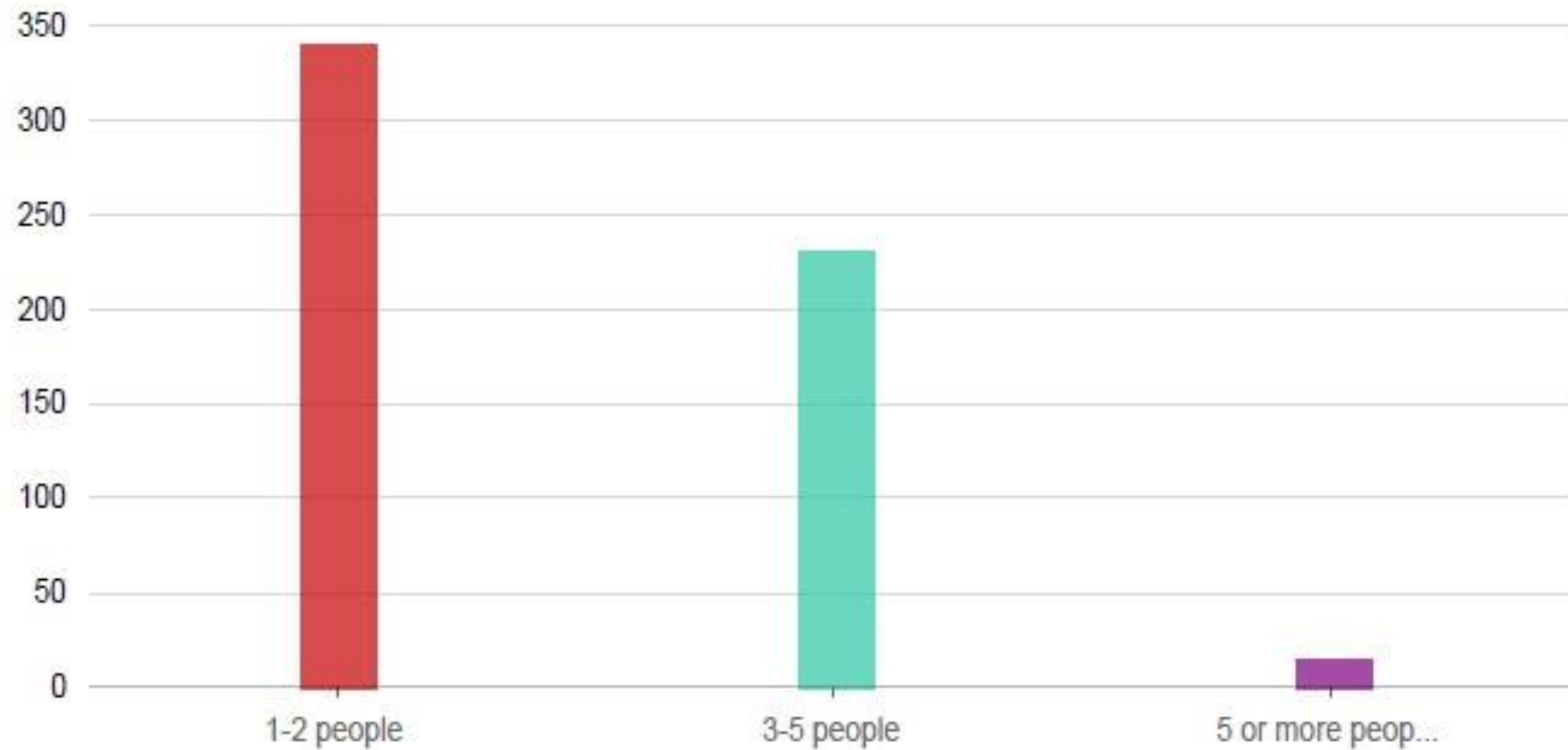
## Do you normally bring a pet to a sporting event?

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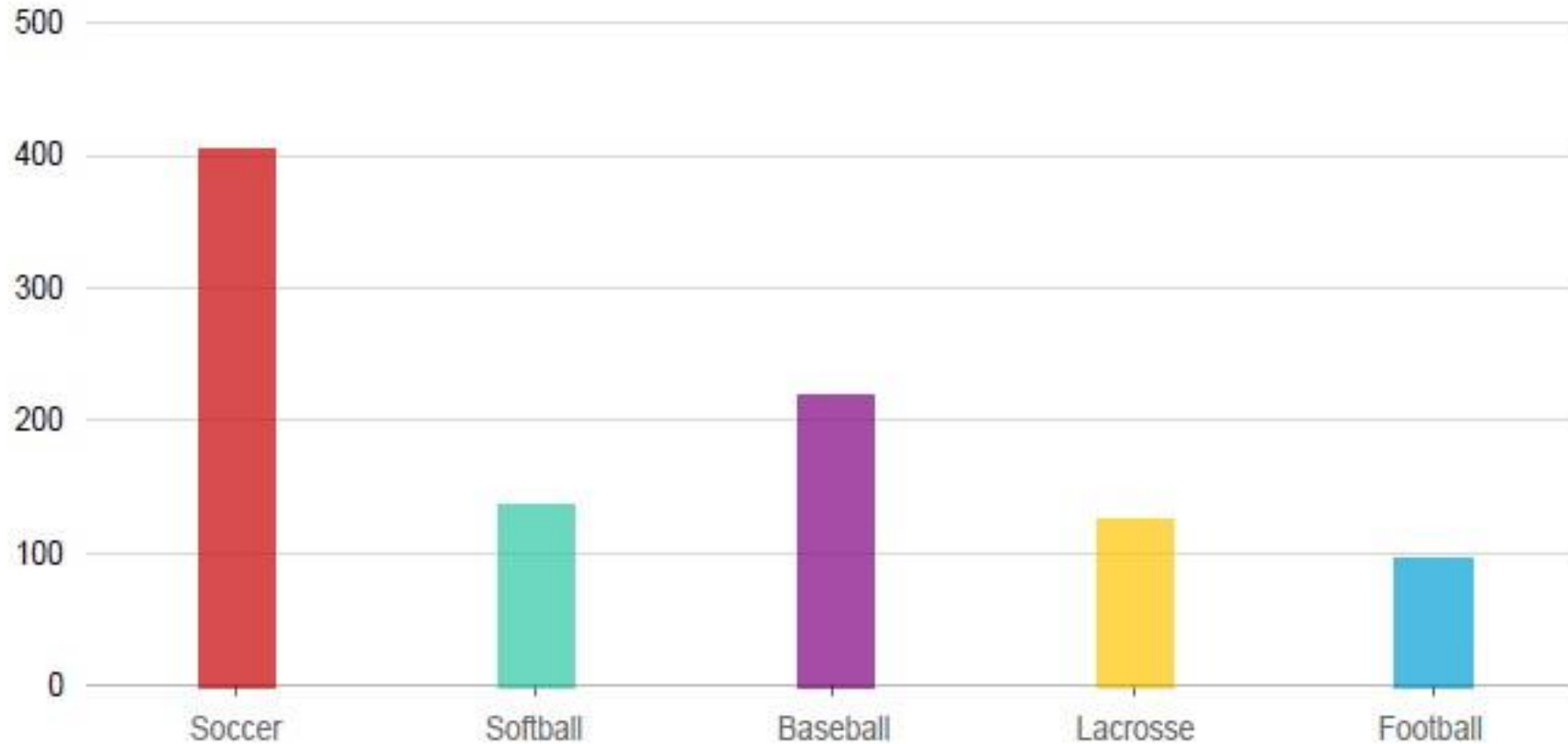


When you attend a game how many people come with you?

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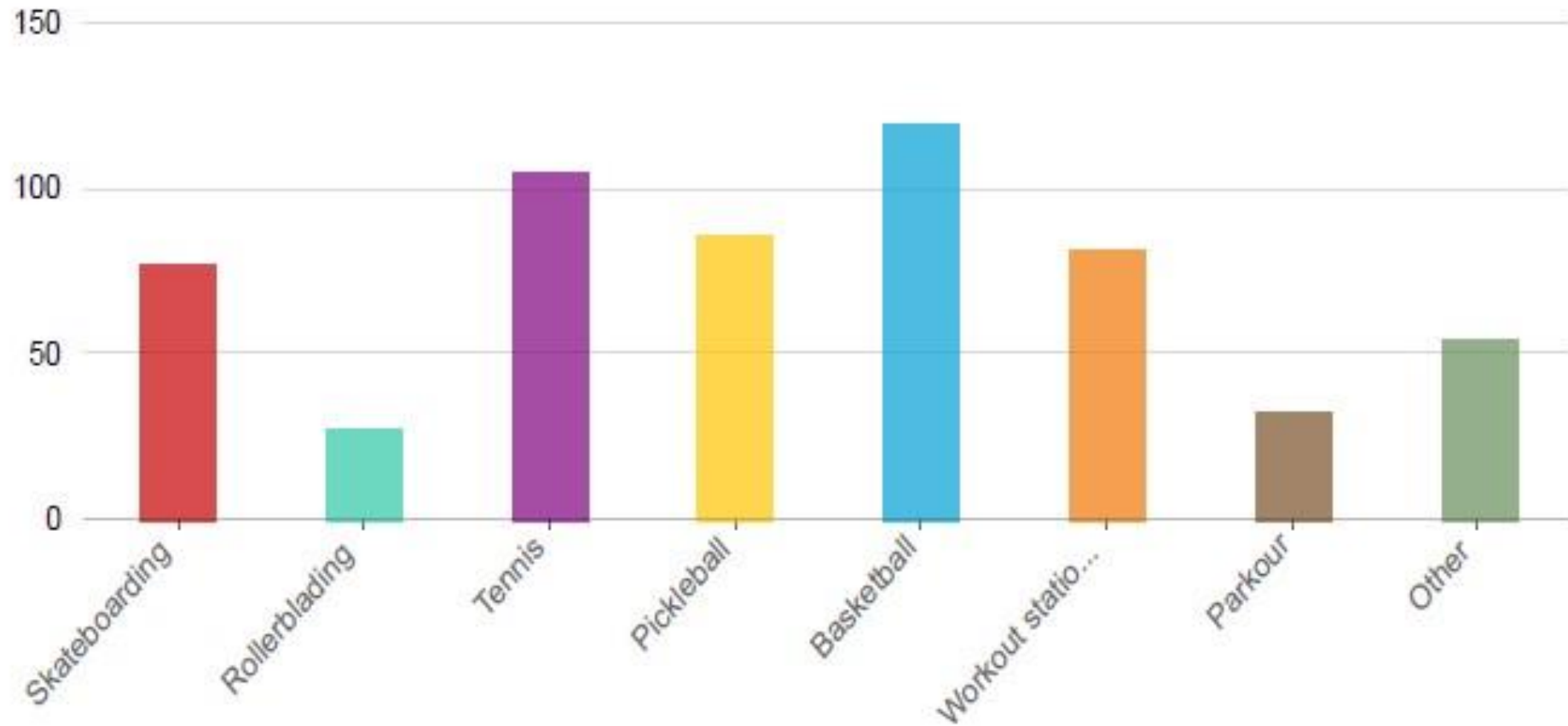


As a primary use of the park, what types of sports are a priority for you?



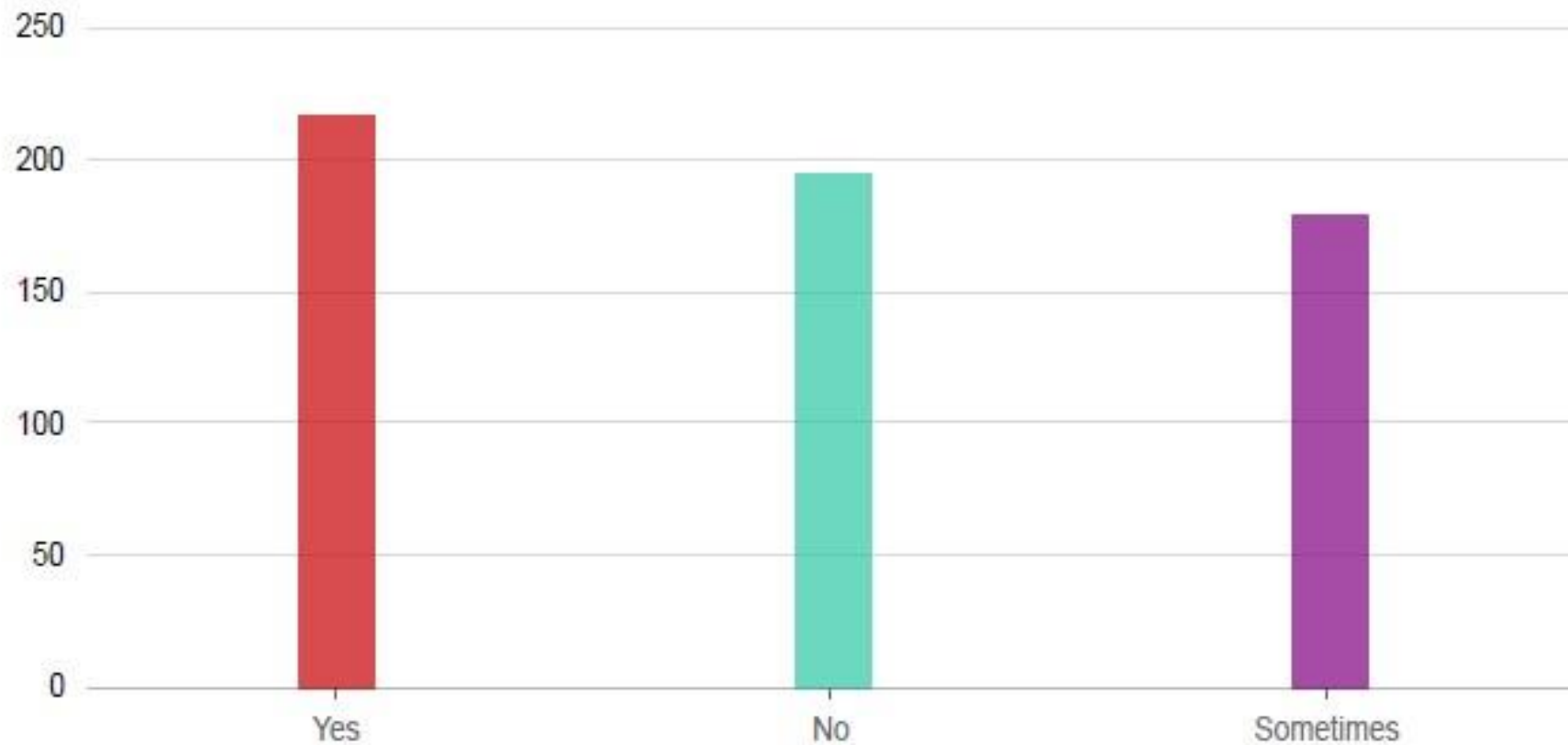
If there was additional space available on the site, which type of activity would be the most meaningful for you?

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# Do you typically drop players off to attend practice or games?

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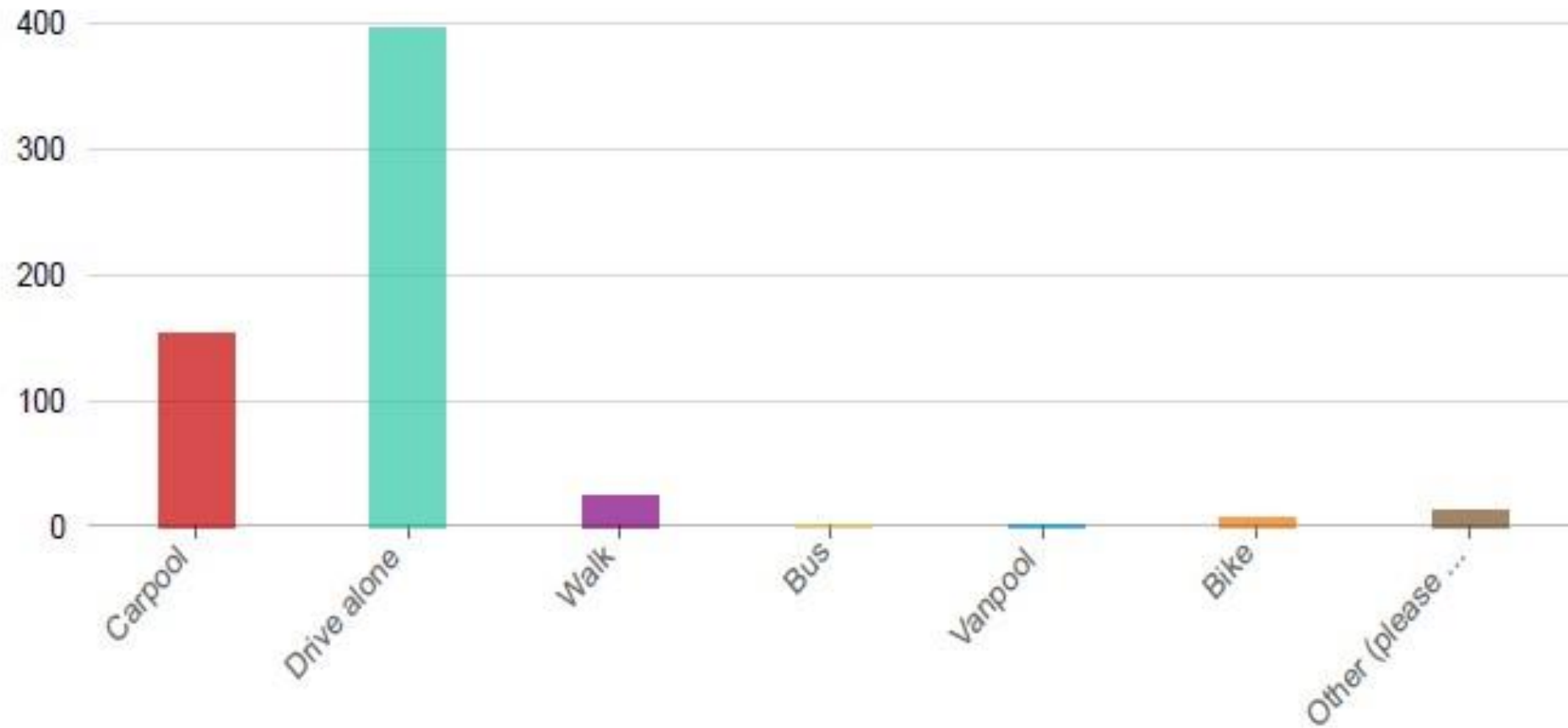


## If you are a coach or player, what features would be desirable to make this park successful? (162 responses)

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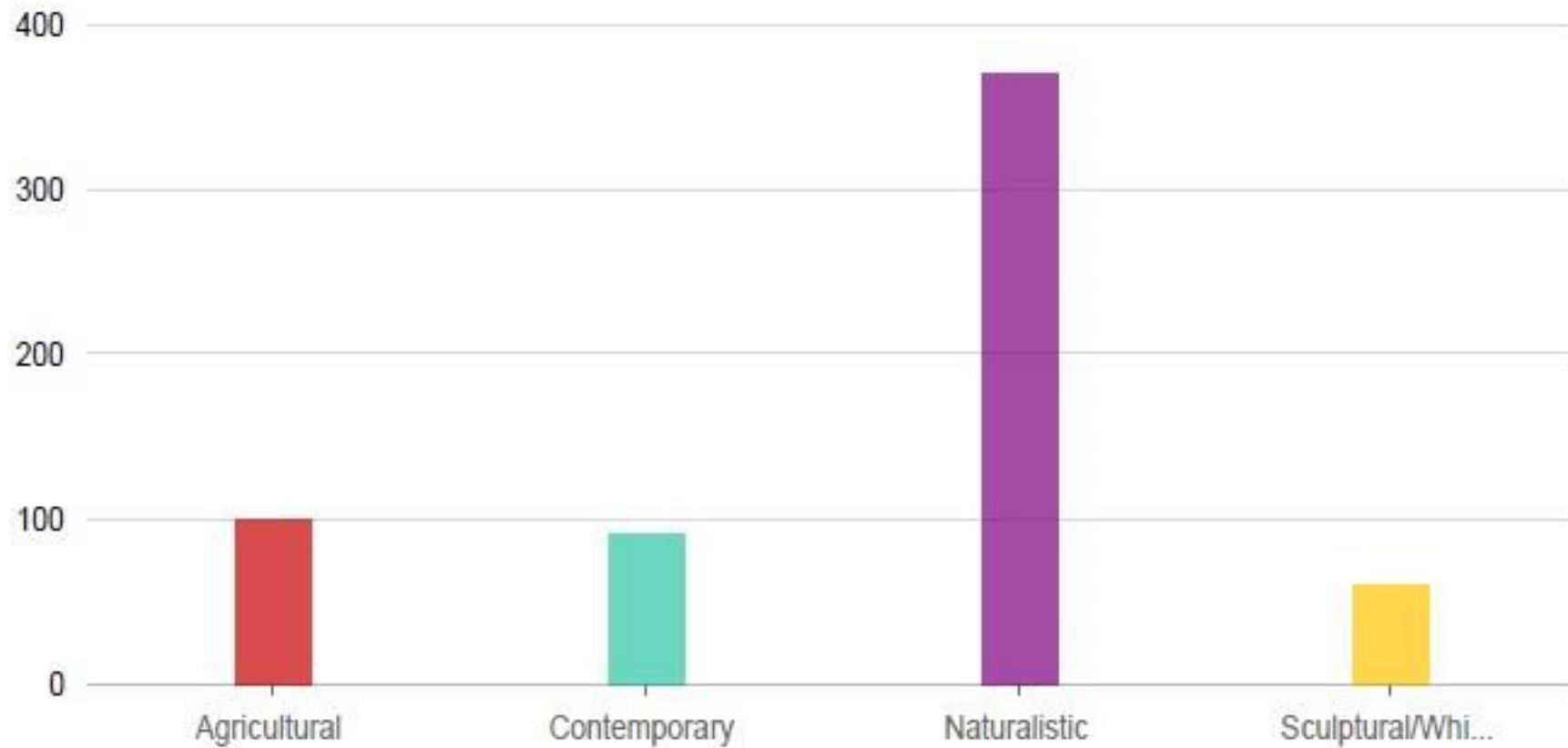
- Parking-away from field for safety, increased, drop off zone (65)
- Increased access-type of player, type of sport, and by time of day (62)
- Turf (58)
- Multiple fields (46)
- Shade/Shelter (27)
- Bathrooms (14)
- Water fountains (13)
- Lights (11)
- Skatepark (8)
- Batting cage (6)
- Playground (5)
- Storage (4)
- Fencing (4)
- Natural look (3)
- Concessions (2)

When you attend an athletic event at a park like this, how do you typically travel?



## What is your ideal design character for this park?

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Rassekh Park

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# Questions

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1. How can we increase participation for the next survey?
2. Are there any groups or people we should reach out to directly?