

50/50 Matching Grant Public Hearing  
June 21, 2017 at City Council Chambers  
From 5:30pm to 7:15pm

### **11 - Attendees with one minority in attendance**

Kimberly Marshall and Danny Kapalas provided a short presentation of the Parks and Recreation's facilities within the city limits. This presentation included a map of all the facilities scattered through the city. In addition, there were five other maps based on different quadrants of the city that explained the types of facilities available in those areas. Danny highlighted the amenities for each park or facility so the public would be informed to make better decisions.

These are the comments that came out of the meeting:

1. When will an aquatic facility be built
2. Chess Park Installation
3. Chess Center w/20+ concrete tables to host tournaments
4. Chess Tables at every park in Jonesboro – Craighead
5. Bicycle Playground
6. Pump Track
7. Skills Park
8. 3 mile hiking/bicycle trail located on the newly acquired land adjacent to Joe Mack Campbell
9. Rotary needs assistance to improve the pocket park in front of the Forum. This park will be a multi-use park located in the heart of Jonesboro
10. More pocket parks are needed throughout Jonesboro. Developers should have to devote green space to large developments or major multi-family housing.
11. Outdoor amphitheater in the city
12. Assistance with the plans that Rotary has to revitalize the pocket park in front of the Forum
13. Chess Park
14. Bandshell or music facilities at a park
15. Bike Share throughout the city and all parks
16. Amphitheater like the one in Rogers, AR
17. Require developers to leave a certain amount of underdeveloped land in each new housing area for having area parks in every neighborhood.
18. Place more pools around the city near community centers
19. Canoe, paddleboats, and kayak rentals at Craighead Forest Lake
20. Add more splash pads in other parks throughout the city
21. More biking and pedestrian infrastructure throughout the city

I recorded the comments during this meeting so we can further discuss these suggestions.

Submitted by Kimberly Marshall, Grants Administrator on June 22, 2017.