

**Burnet Woods Community Conversation**  
**Feedback from May 23, 2018 break-out sessions**  
June 5, 2018

**Comments demonstrating support toward both presentations:**

- Increased park use & people/park is now underused (multiple comments)
- Increased safety (multiple comments)
- Brings more people/more diversity (multiple comments)
- This would serve the underserved
- Would bring the community together
- “Green Building” concept
- Fits Park’s mission
- Would make park more vibrant/a destination
- Partnerships are good

**Comments not supportive of either presentation:**

- Park mission should be to protect greenspace, not build (multiple comments)
- Negative impact on wildlife (multiple comments)
- Loss of quiet (multiple comments)
- Negative impacts from traffic/parking (multiple comments)
- Don’t see how these will help the park
- Loss of greenspace/loss of trees/doesn’t fit park (multiple comments)
- Reuse old buildings, don’t build new ones
- Sets bad precedent/privatizes public land
- Need to establish partnership guidelines/draw a line against development

**Comments demonstrating support toward the Camping and Education Foundation presentation:**

- Nature oriented
- Small impact
- Highlights nature/good program principles
- Brings boats back to lake
- Integrates well in the park
- Educates youth/teen focus good
- Can use whole park as learning lab
- Can have citywide impact and raise nature awareness

**Comments addressing areas of concern for the Camping and Education Foundation:**

- Should not be buildings in park/no new development
- Serves too small a population
- Should serve adults
- Should be built at UC/don’t use park

**Comments demonstrating support toward the Clifton Cultural Arts Center:**

- Good to have it at center of community
- Brings people to the park/families (multiple comments)
- Good principles
- Helps refurbish park
- Good for NBD
- Brings more programs to park
- Stays in Clifton (multiple comments)

**Comments addressing areas of concern for the Clifton Cultural Arts Center:**

- Other sites are available
- Should not be in park (multiple comments)
- Too big (multiple comments)
- Doesn't fit in park (multiple comments)
- Traffic and parking impacts
- How does park gain from this
- Overwhelms nature
- Should be smaller footprint if at all
- If it had to be in the park, might fit better at road intersections, at periphery, possibly at King/Clifton intersection or Lone Star site

**General Comments/Ideas:**

- Parks should be thinking about/talking about park improvements rather than these projects
- Fix what's broken, don't add buildings
- Should concentrate on maintaining parks including removal of invasive species, more programs, better maintenance and trail improvements, improved picnic areas (multiple comments)
- Lake should be cleaner and concerns about water quality (multiple comments)
- Stormwater and combined sewer overflow concerns
- More/improved playgrounds
- Wants a dog park (multiple comments)
- Add "ranger" talks, nature programs, bird programs
- More lighting in high traffic areas, achieve greater sense of security
- Park needs restoration/what is operating cost of Burnet Woods compared to other parks
- Parks should determine Burnet Woods needs and operating and capital costs, then seek funding  
Focus on fund raising for all existing parks, staffing, natural areas, and maintenance
- Bring boats back
- Keep the slide!
- The park's unique geology and ecology should be preserved and interpreted
- Open Trailside more hours
- Park is underused
- Make park more inviting for families/add park experiences
- Protect habitats, tree diversity. Do not remove trees.
- Ideas:

Improved play areas/add nature-play  
Better trail signs  
More nature programming  
Better communication on events/programs  
Clear overgrowth for better visibility  
Add recycling bins  
Plant native species  
More benches  
Restore Trailside  
Reopen concession building  
Add walk all around the lake  
Bring back the swans  
Remove some roadways  
Convert some grassy areas to woods

- Concerns about park overuse and increased development/park capacity
- Bringing more people into the park is good, brings new resources

**General comments on both projects:**

- Should be a study of impact of both projects
- Needs more community involvement
- How might the projects take on park maintenance and/or contribute to the park's wellbeing
- Add trail maintenance to both projects
- Consider combining both projects in single building
- Consider placing CCAC closer to street and library
- How do these projects fit the park master plan
- Projects should share parking