

Attachment 3

Doodle Poll on Location of Windemere Park Tennis Courts

Introduction

In an e-mail of September 28, 2013, Sumedh Bahl stated that "...the residents in the neighborhood have the option to present their choice, consensus of the significant number of residents in this area, to PAC and PAC may reconsider its decision about the placement of tennis courts."

In a follow-up meeting on October 29, 2013, Sumedh Bahl and Colin Smith advised that, in light of the recent unanimous vote by the Earhart Knolls Homeowners Association Board of Directors to recommend that PAC change the location of the new tennis courts from Option 4 to Option 1, it would be appropriate to survey the views of those homeowners who live on the "perimeter" of the park, as well as those who attended the two public meetings in July and October 2012.

Consequently, we set up a Doodle poll to do exactly this.

Language Describing the Doodle Poll and Options

The following text was emailed on November 3, 2013 to all attendees of the two public meetings, and was leafleted to all homes on the perimeter of the park over the next two days. We strove to make the language neutral, giving the major benefit of each of the two options that we have heard repeatedly from neighborhood residents.

Dear Neighbors and Friends of Windemere Park:

The city will be rebuilding the tennis courts in Windemere Park in Spring/Summer 2014. They determined that the courts cannot remain in the current location due to soils and water issues. See attached graphic for aerial view of two options. Option 1, which maximizes the free space available for other activities, was selected at a July public meeting. Option 4, which places the courts an equal distance from the closest houses, was selected at an October public meeting. The city is currently proceeding with Option 4. We would like to make sure that this choice actually reflects our neighborhood needs and wants, and the city suggested a survey of those homeowners on the perimeter of the park and those who attended the two public meetings, regarding Options 1 and 4. To resolve this, we need your vote! Please click on the link below and cast your household ballot for one of the following:

- Option 1: **The Northern Edge** of the Park
- Option 4: **The Center** of the Park
- No Opinion

VOTE HERE: <http://www.doodle.com/wukub7g5tqbxn7qa>

You can also contact Jeff Alson at jeffalson@sbcglobal.net or at the phone number below, if you prefer to vote without going to the doodle site.

Please vote by **November 10th! Your voice is important.** We will provide the results of this poll to the Parks Advisory Commission at their next meeting on November 19.

Thank you!

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Results of the Doodle Poll

There was an impressive response to the Doodle poll. We estimate that there are approximately 55 homes represented by the combination of the houses on the perimeter of the park and those residents who attended the two public meetings. Over the 8 days from November 3 through November 11, there were 43 votes, including multiple votes from some individual homes. This confirms that there is very significant interest in the location of the Windemere Park tennis courts.

As of November 11, the total vote is as follows:

- Option 1 ("northern" location): 34 votes
- Option 4 ("central" location): 8 votes
- No Opinion: 1 vote

Because some residents voted as individuals and not by home address as directed, it was necessary to assign individual votes as home address votes. Since some households have multiple members and others do not, we thought fairness dictated that each household should have one vote.

Using this method, the vote is as follows:

- Option 1 ("northern" location): 29 votes (85%)
- Option 4 ("central location): 5 votes (15%)

In sum, Option 1 is preferred by nearly a 6-to-1 margin.