

## **V. Community Comments: Location**

### 1) Beach 3

**Number of Dots:** 33

**Positive:**

- Beach 3 would improve the current playground equipment which is dangerous, outdated and almost unusable.
- Beach 3 is PERFECT!
- Beach 3 – Hidden from road and therefore from trespassers.
- No playgrounds are currently safe walking distance. A modern playground at Beach 3 would provide Lake Barcroft with a valuable resource.
- A neighborhood w/ a playground is a family friendly neighborhood!! Look around, why not upgrade/update LB.
- I support a modern, well built playground to replace the current, unsafe equipment.

**Neutral:**

- Picture shows expansion and movement to street; prefer in exact same location if at all.

**Negative:**

- Beach 3 would be a nightmare. There's no space! Surely this environmentally conscious community is against cutting trees. We had to put up a gate at B3 parking to cut down trespassers, they still park on Half Moon. Add more playground if you want to encourage more trespassing.

### 2) Beach 5

**Number of Dots:** 5

**Positive:**

- Since the new proposed playground doesn't include swings, keeping the current equipment (with swings) at beach 3 and installing the new equipment at beach 5 may be most ideal.

**Negative:**

- I don't much care if we have a playground or not as long as it's not on Beach 5. No more pavilions!

### 3) Other locations

**No Beach: Number of dots:** 12 Dots

- Do not cut any trees for this ill-conceived project. Runoff into the lake is already excessive due to over development outside the lake. How can we call ourselves stewards of the environment if we commit the same atrocities we accuse others of committing? NO playground.

**Beach 1**

- B3 already has an underused playground. B5 is already a dog park. What's Beach 1? Why not consider that location? Perhaps that side of the lake needs play equip.

**Either Beach 3 or Beach 5**

- Either location is great! I don't think the community should be able to vote on the location. It pits property owners pro and con against each other. The board alone should decide the location.

#### **Any beach**

- Beach 3 is nice, but many beaches in LB are. I would like parents to have 3-5 playgrounds spread out to play on. Safe, reasonable equipment for family fun.

## **VI. EQUIPMENT CONCEPTS: COMMENTS FROM INFORMATION BOARD:**

### **Organized by themes**

#### **GENERAL**

##### **Positive**

1. Looks Great!
  2. Yes for the playground. LBA needs this. Many young families have moved in and the kids need a safe and fun place to gather.
  3. We need an upgraded playground for kids.
  4. The proposed equipment ideas look like great modern and safe playground equipment. Terrific. We choose to build a playground in LB this year, not because it is easy; because it is hard.
  5. I think this is a great idea because there are a lot of young kids and they could use a playground to get active. It is also great for the parents because they get to meet more people at the playground.
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##### **Negative**

1. The playground equipment being proposed is a blight on our natural landscape.

#### **AGE**

1. Needs to have some options suited to older kids -10-12+. Super.
2. I think the playground should be for a wider age group because this looks like it is for kids under age 6. I want it to be like from a grade 1 to 12. Either way I want a playground for my brother (5) and sister (02) and ME. (Hartly. Age 8)

#### **SIZE OF THE PLAYGROUND**

##### **PRO LARGE**

1. Please make it larger than the concepts.
2. I think one playground is insufficient to respond to the entire community. Great concepts! But let's do bigger! We have the funding and the space. A large playground would be a bold and beautiful symbol of "we are family!" (basically sums up Lake Barcroft!)
3. Not opposed to even more play options.

##### **PRO SMALL**

A "community" playground should be low-keyed, not populated with equipment more appropriate for a city or county park

#### **TYPE OF EQUIPMENT**

##### ***Major consensus on swings: keep swings and add an ADA swing, replace swings at Beach 2***

1. Great start! Would love to see more features. Spider webs? What *about swings*? Love the playground idea. Would like to see more Ninja components, like a climbing wall – horizontal so not high off the ground. Also the parts for hanging like a (drawing...). Trippi. A devoted grandmother.

2. Look at new playgrounds in Arlington County for great ideas, including incorporating musical features, and art work. Let's get our artists involved.
3. If the proposed equipment is located at Beach 3, and the current equipment is removed, then there are *no swings*. *Can the current swings* remain? New playground equipment will bring out the younger families.
4. Please don't get rid of the *swings*
5. If new equipment is put at beach 3, could some of the older equipment (not the log roll!), be moved to another beach? Ex. Beach 2 *swings* are very old.
6. Is any ADA Equipment, like a *swing* or something being considered?
7. What is wrong with improving the equipment at beach 3?

## **COLORS/NATURAL**

1. Playground should enhance the community with natural colors
2. Love the idea, but would prefer more natural color scheme
3. Would love natural colors to blend in
4. I agree with the other comment about looking at Arlington. If it isn't cost prohibitive, I'd love to see a more "natural" looking playground.
5. Natural playground
6. The playground equipment being proposed is a blight on our natural landscape.
7. Would want more natural colors.