

Public Survey

Parks Usage

- 29.1% of residents use the parks at least once a week
- 64.6% of residents use the parks a few times a month
- 2.9% of residents never use the parks

Most popular amenities (over 50%)

Walking & hiking trails	87.4%
Playgrounds	67.5%
Covered shelters	58.3%
Picnic areas	56.8%
The Booker Building	52.4%

Least popular amenity

Tennis Courts	9.2%
Bottom 4 are all athletics (interesting observation)	

Top 3 concerns

Outdated equipment/facilities	44.2%
Maintenance and cleanliness	39.3%
Security or safety issues	36.4%

Rate the condition of the parks

Good

If household has a need for facilities (over 50%)

Walking and biking trails	95.9%
Picnic areas/shelters	84.4%
Large community parks	75.0%
Playgrounds	72.6%
Small neighborhood parks	68.5%
Outdoor amphitheater	67.5%
Boat ramps/kayak access	66.9%
Outdoor water spray parks	64.1%
Mountain biking trails	50.3%
Off-leash dog parks	49.7%

Lowest 5 – all athletics (except skate park)

If there is a need are the being met (partly to not met)

Outdoor water spray parks	97.0%
Disc golf course	94.6%
Outdoor amphitheater	93.9%
Skateboard parks	90.6%
Pickleball courts	89.7%
Off-leash dog parks	88.0%
Volleyball	86.9%

Horseshoes	77.5%
Mountain biking trails	76.2%
Gymnasium for indoor activities	71.0%
Outdoor tennis courts	69.0%
Softball fields	53.1%
Boat ramps/kayak access	51.4%

Satisfaction with parks

Very satisfied	9.7%
Satisfied	45.2%
Neutral	37.4%

Importance of parks and trails to quality life

Very Important or Important	95.6%
NOT	3.4%

Support building new improvements and amenities

Strongly Support or Support	91.7%
Strongly oppose	2.4%

Support building new improvements and amenities to assist economic development

Strongly Support or Support	91.7%
Strongly oppose	2.4%

Events for the future

Music events	79.1%
Farmers market	78.6%
Festivals	77.2%
Food events	72.3%
Movie nights	66.0%
Antique/Craft fairs	58.7%
Wine/Beer tastings	55.8%

Bottom 2 are all athletics, tournaments and foot races (interesting observation)

77.7% walk for pleasure at least a few times a month

53.9% never bike

69.9% want recreation trails in parks and around town

Only 9.2% of people don't want trails

Separate bike lanes are the most popular (38.8%)

48.5% don't bike around town though

Under age 5	30.10%
Ages 5-9	33.01%
Ages 10-14	34.95%
Ages 15-19	27.67%
Ages 20-24	23.30%
Ages 25-34:	34.95%

Ages 35-44	43.20%
Ages 45-54:	33.50%
Ages 55-64	30.58%
Ages 65-74	23.79%
Ages 75+	19.42%

69.4% of respondents were Town of Altavista residents
62.6% were female