



Lincoln High School Practice Field

Community Update

Meeting #2 | November 20, 2024



Tonight We'll Discuss

- The need for a field
- Exploration and evaluation of options
- Community feedback on Wallingford Playfield
- Track & field at Woodland #7
- Current site options and next steps

Why Do Students Need a Field?

- **Benefits of an accessible field**
 - Supports physical education & sports for boys & girls:
 - Football, soccer, cheer, marching band
 - Community and school events
 - Safe and convenient outdoor space for students
- **Current limitations without a dedicated field space**
 - Transportation cost
 - Scheduling / access - displacement of current use
 - Travel time - hours spent on buses

Exploration and Evaluation



- **Criteria for field selection:**

- Proximity to the school
- Accessibility and safety
- Size and amenities
- Impact on community and neighborhood

Field Options Considered and Not Selected

1. Meridian Playfield - Landmark Status, Parking, Recent Renovations, Community / Current Use Displacement
2. Lower Woodland #7 Field - Current Use Displacement
3. Lower Woodland #2 - Current Use Displacement
4. Big Howe - Proximity, Current Use Displacement
5. Interbay Playfield - Proximity, Current Use Displacement, Complex Stakeholder Makeup
6. Montlake Playfield - Proximity, Current Use Displacement
7. Roger's Playfield - Proximity, Current Use Displacement, Not Large Enough to Accommodate Need
8. Robert Eagle Staff Middle School - Proximity, Current Use Displacement
9. University Playfield - Not Large Enough to Accommodate Need
10. BF Day Park - Current Use Displacement, Not Large Enough to Accommodate Need
11. Gasworks Park - Landmark Status - City and Federal, Proximity, Site Constraints, Size
12. Lincoln HS North Parking Lot - Current Use Displacement, Not Large Enough to Accommodate Need
13. Woodland Park Parking Lot @ 50th & Aurora - Current Use Displacement, Complex Stakeholder Makeup
14. Queen Anne Bowl - Proximity, Parking, Current Use Displacement, Unique Neighbor / Residence Proximity

Consideration of Alternatives

Gasworks Park

- City Landmark – In the National Registry
- Distance – 1.1 mile & Site Complexities



Lincoln HS North Parking Lot

- Not Large enough space for even a half-size field
- Parking req'd for City permitting / MUP



What We've Heard

Full-Size Field at Wallingford Playfield

- **September 19 Community Meeting #1:** 100–150 attendees, 147 comment cards collected.
- **Additional Feedback Sources:** 600+ messages in emails, SPS portal (Let's Talk), Nextdoor, Wallyhood blog, petitions, Facebook (partial sample).

- **Sentiment Analysis:**

- Opposed: 45%
- Supportive: 30%
- Neutral: 25%

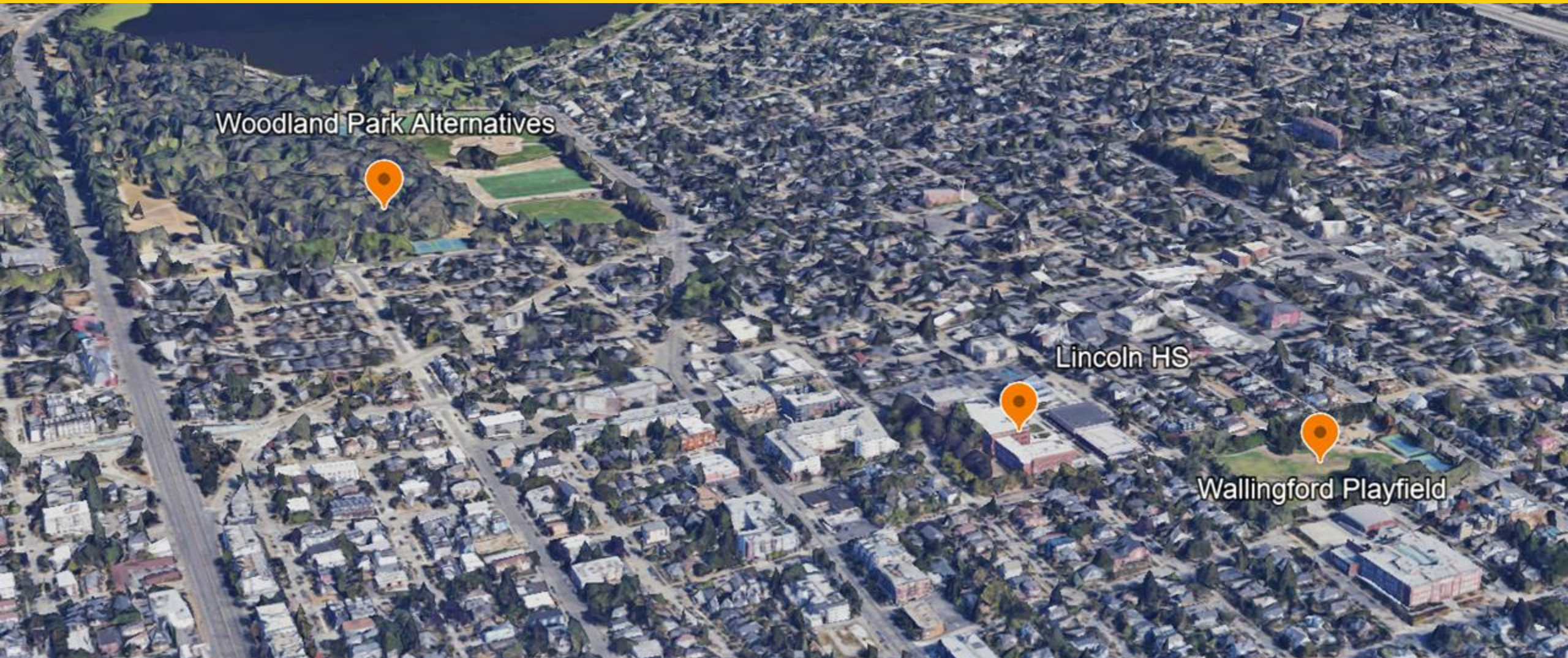
Top Concerns

- Community access
- Loss of green space
- Lighting

Top Support

- Proximity
- Improved conditions
- Community athletics

New Proposal Recommendation



Woodland Park Alternatives

Lincoln HS

Wallingford Playfield

New Proposal Recommendation

Track & Field at Lower Woodland #7

- None of the evaluated locations can accommodate both a field and track.
- We're proposing upgrading existing track at Lower Woodland #7, also a Seattle Parks property.
- We're also exploring field event space in the unutilized area immediately adjacent to field #7.

Half-Size Field at Wallingford Playfield

- **Proximity** to Lincoln High School and Hamilton International Middle School.
- **Benefits Hamilton students**—accessibility for nearly 3,000 students annually.
- **Retains character of the Park and provides community benefits**, including youth sports clubs and activities for public use.

Full-Size Field at Woodland Park

- Proximity to Lincoln and Hamilton, within walking distance – half-mile.
- Community benefits: youth sports clubs and broader public use.
- Potential to activate an under-utilized space.

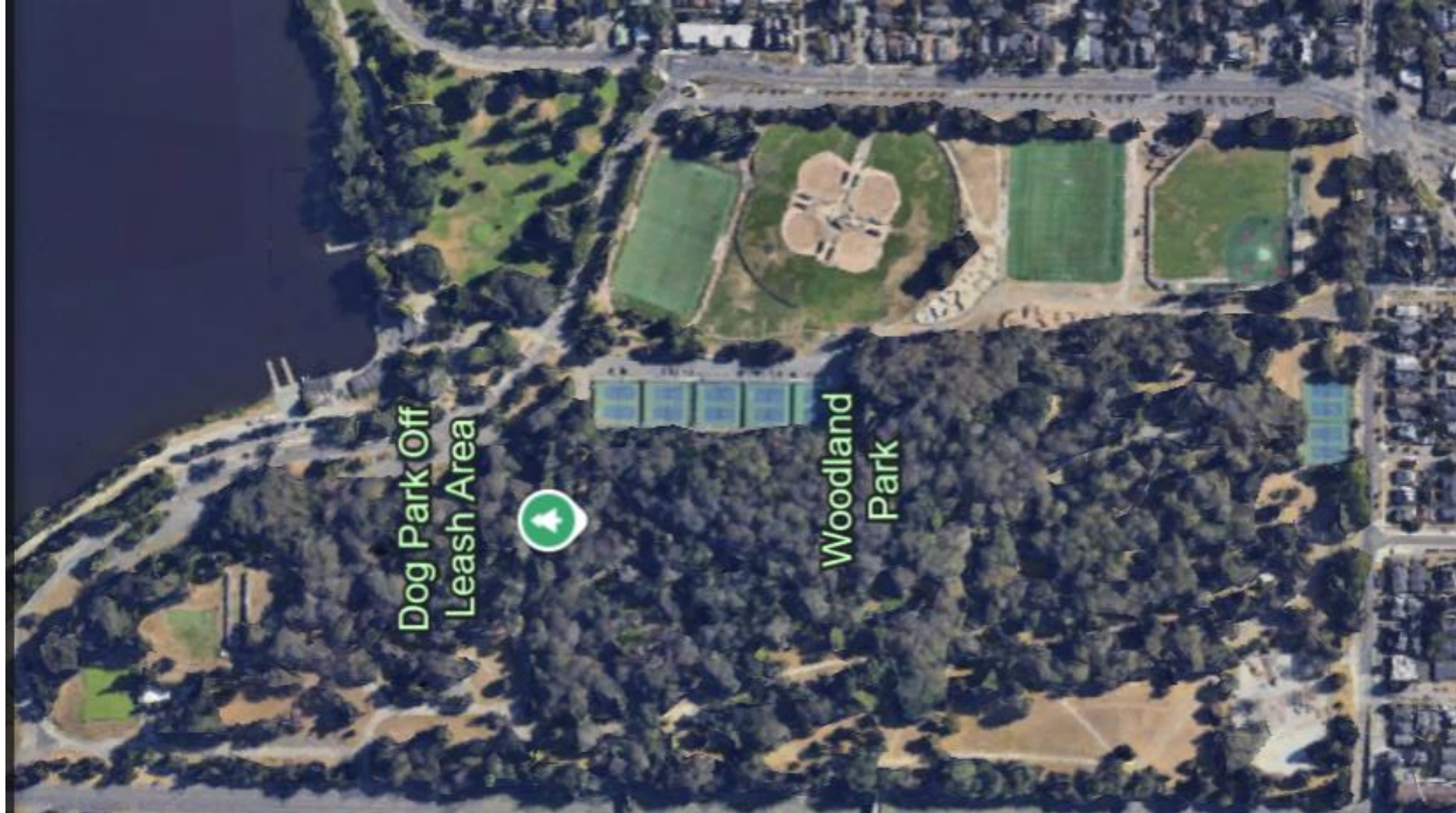
Lower Woodland Field #7: Track & Field Only



Wallingford Playfield: Potential Half-Size Layouts



Full-Size Field at Woodland Park





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Thank you!



Comments?

