

Schuykill Parks Connector Bridge

Alignment Evaluation Form Results from November 4th Meeting

Place an "x" next to the 5 criteria most important to you in Column 2.

Indicate in Columns 3 - 5 which option best meets your needs.

I value . . .		therefore, I think the option I marked with an "x" below best meets my values		
	Your Top 5	North Border Option (near gardens)	West Border Option (back fence)	Graded Bowl Option
Pleasing aesthetics	54	4	26	8
the community gardens	52	3	41	1
park (general use)	48	7	28	5
security / safety	47	9	22	3
Where the ramp entrance is in the park	37	10	20	7
Bicycle friendly design	24	2	14	5
the dog run	13	4	4	
Overlook opportunities	10		6	1
Ramps that provide a visual or noise buffer	10	1	6	2
Stairs from the ramp to the park	8	2	3	1
Shade / Rain shelter opportunities for park users	4		2	
Storage opportunities under ramps	3	1	2	1
Other				
Other				

(yellow cells are top vote getters)

Alignment Evaluation Form Results from Online Survey

Questions #1 and #2 Combined
(highlighted cells are top vote getters)

I value . . .		Therefore, I think the option I marked with an "x" below best meets my values		
	Your Top 5	North Border Option (near gardens)	West Border Option (back fence)	Graded Bowl Option
Pleasing aesthetics	232	56	90	78
park (general use)	213	71	97	43
security / safety	205	65	82	51
Bicycle friendly design	193	44	73	96
the community gardens	136	35	75	38
Where the ramp entrance is in the park	123	49	75	58
the dog run	106	52	45	24
Overlook opportunities	91	36	51	51
Stairs from the ramp to the park	39	26	36	17
Ramps that provide a visual or noise buffer	39	21	27	28
Other	35	31	27	13
Shade / Rain shelter opportunities for park users	30	17	26	21
Storage opportunities under ramps	9	14	23	14

Other:

Protected/locked storage under ramps for bicycles (I believe this is being done successfully in other cities)
 minimize impact on sight lines in park - we have children and need to be able to see them as they run around
 Good maintenance
 Connection to UPenn ped bridge
 Why so much ramp? You should call this a ramp project not a bridge project. The ramps take up way too much space.
 People simply want access to the river. It should be efficient!
 Least obtrusive to current park usage
 nice plantings, friendly atmosphere
 great point to start my runs
 Benches and public art installations
 Your survey needs work.
 Should coordinate with the new foot bridge to the Univ of Pennsylvania
 community garden, community garden, community garden
 Keep the part stroller friendly

Playground

Cleanliness and concern over individuals sleeping, drinking, laying on benches (too many vagrants in parks)

Open, uncluttered space for folks to throw frisbies or footballs, etc. No more building.

Ramp should have the LEAST interference with current park usages

cohesiveness of the park as a whole

Not impinging on the current park

Easy, fast access to the park

A sensible use of public funds

children's play area (4) and tennis courts (5)

Clear views and lighting

NO RAMP -- WILL LEAD TO TOO MUCH PARK TRAFFIC

Not having a massive, ugly design that cuts up the garden or obscures views into the park from 25th St.

The selection method is poor - many of these are equally important and there are insufficient opportunities to rank them.

access to natural scenery and trees

safety, safety, safety, lighting

The open expanse of the center bowl

Ramps and bridge should not be a visual barrier.

that the ramp NOT be inside the recreational area of Schuylkill River Park

usefull access from streets to ramp

small footprint - as close as possible to the tracks & away from 25th Street

least intrusive possible option would be my favorite

ability to maintain many users at all times of day

the least possible infringement on park area

Entrance located farther from Locust street to extend access in between Locust and South Streets

direct, FAST access to trail from east of 25th street

walking daily commute

Smooth ramps for Rollerblading

By "bicycle friendly design" I actually mean "stroller friendly" -- bike traffic can be dangerous if not managed appropriately.

contiguous egress from park

Must allow bikes to ride...not force them to walk...these are bikes!!ramps!

I avoid the ramps now and cross the tracks on bike. If that is more cut of it sets up bike/pedestrian conflicts on

multi-use opportunity (ourdoor ampitheater with hillside seating for example).

1, 2, 3

ramp that impinges least on park

This question doesn't make sense. If they are no rankings, what is the 1-5 options for?

maintains open feel of the park

Prefer access at Locust Street not in park

Please consider inline skaters in your design

The park is attractive, great for families, and has no obstructed areas. No bicycles.

Jogger and dog friendly paths and conditions; speed limit for bikes

vistas. Open space

an unimposing design

Bridge should not dump bicyclists and rollerbladers in Schuylkill Park

Recreation for children

dog park!!

Least disruption of park use during construction

Safe park access for everyone including those with special needs.

which of the solution will be the LEAST intrusive

Not disrupt current park

accommodate runners

This question isnt stated correctly. I think you want to know what we value about the connector bridge not the park.

Ramp entrance outside park, to prevent heavy bike traffic inside park.

Integration with park